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Relaxing Days Of Summer...

AGAWAM YOUNGSTERS, from left - Leslie Bennett, Kim Bennett, and Jennifer Cross are finding the sunny weather on Monday morning, July 23rd, much to their liking. All three agreed that school officials can postpone the September opening of school so they can enjoy many more days such as this one into the fall. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Peirce School Plan Reviewed; Report Due Very Soon

by Stuart Parker
Advertiser News Political Writer

The closed Peirce Elementary School may once again serve the town, but as a police station. Acting Town Manager Katherine Pisano is presently reviewing a report unanimously approved by a special council-citizen subcommitte that recommended the closed school be converted into a new police station.

Town Council gave the report to Mrs. Pisano with the recommendation that a building committee be formed to formulate an estimate for costs of renovating the building.

The Springfield Street, Feeding Hills school, closed at the end of the 1983 school year due to declining elementary enrollment in Agawam schools, was subject to scrutiny of a five-man committee, chaired by Councilor At-Large Edward Borgatti.

Began Immediately

Suggestions that the structure be used as the new police headquarters immediately began after the school's closing. However, no action was taken pending a town administration goal of building an $8 million town complex to house all town departments, including the police.

Town Council scrapped those plans during its last month's budget review. Again, concerns over resolving town hall space problems center around moving police to Peirce School.

The five man committee, Building Inspector Joseph Conte, as well as Police Chief Stanley J. Chmielewski, have determined Peirce School is structurally sound. The group determined the school would meet long-term police needs. Renovation costs would range from $200,000 to $700,000, depending upon final recommendations of a committee in-charge of overseeing that phase of the conversion.

Chmielewski has noted, in addition to filling the police hallways at the present town hall location with cardboard boxes for files, the lack of space for police costs several thousand dollars annually to have prisoners held in neighboring police stations.

Chmielewski anticipates renovation of Peirce School would give the department four male holding cells, two female cells, two juvenile cells, and one padded cell.

Chmielewski has also recommended a drive-through garage be used to take prisoners from cruisers into the cells along a path that would not disrupt regular police business, and that fueling equipment also be located in the garage.

The chief also hopes to establish a detective and traffic safety section within the building.

Utilities Need Beefing-Up

Conte has advised the committee to consider enclosing over a courtyard that is surrounded by walls in the center of Peirce School. He also said improvements must be made to plumbing and electrical fixtures within the building, as well as reparing the ventilation system.

Conte further advised repairs for the school's roof, and the bolstering of the cafeteria floor prior to any occupation of the school.

The five-man committee includes Raymond Charest, a former member of the Board of Selectmen; Frank Chriscola, chairman of the Agawam Housing Authority; William Herd, former town councilor; and Anthony Saracino.

SENATE REPORT

By Linda Melconian
State Senator

On July 10th, 1984, Governor Michael S. Dukakis signed into law legislation which established a special study commission to review Blue Cross/Blue Shield's reimbursement policies.

After many deliberations concerning the unfair health costs in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Insurance Committee, of which I am a member, sought to address the issues of the huge financial reserves that Blue Cross/Blue Shield holds, as well as its tax exempt status within the state. I have also been very involved with the unfair burden that Blue Cross/Blue Shield has imposed upon the elderly population with the astronomical rate increases on its Medex programs in recent years. For these reasons, both Medex and balance billing policies will undergo review by the commission.

This special commission has been allocated $300,000 to make an investigation and study of the laws relating to Blue Cross/Blue Shield's tax, reimbursement and regulatory status and their relationship to the health care consumer.

In addition, attention will be given to the impact of the prohibition on the practice of balance billing. The commission will attempt to create a system of reimbursement that is fair to physicians while still protecting the health care consumer.

I have serious reservations about Blue Cross/Blue Shield's near monopoly on the health insurance industry in this state. For this reason, I believe that this study is necessary and long overdue.

Dukakis Signs Medex Bill - Melconian

Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield), cosponsor of the Medex Reform Bill, with Majority Leader, Dan Foley (D-Worcester), the Attorney General's Office, Secretary of Elder Affairs, Richard Rowland; and the Massachusetts Association of Older Americans, announced last week that Governor Michael S. Dukakis signed S.2140 into law on July 12th. 1984.

This bill addresses the rapidly rising costs of Blue Cross/Blue Shield coverage for the elderly through its Medex I-IV programs.

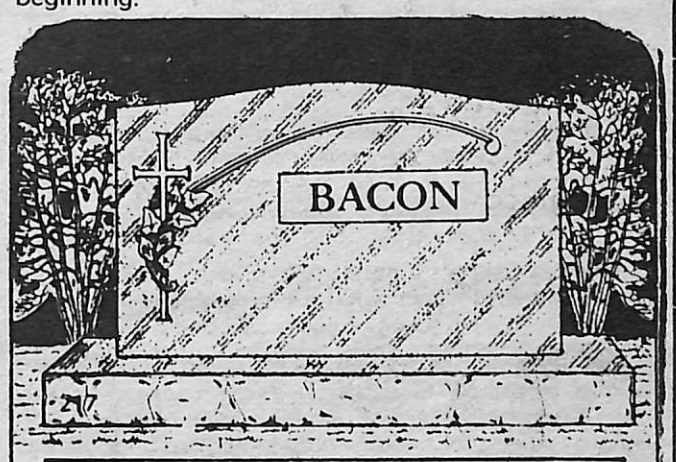
Under this legislation, the Medex consumer will be protected by four provisions: Blue Cross/Blue Shield will be required to show its cost containment programs are effective and the Insurance Commission will be required to make a finding of fact on cost containment before approving any Medex rate increases.

Secondly, the bill will make the annual open enrollment two months in duration at the minimum.

Thirdly, the bill will exempt Medex subscribers from contributing to Blue Cross/Blue Shield corporate reserves.

Finally, this bill will prohibit surcharges based solely on age.

Senator Melconian said, "The changes in the rules governing health provider reimbursement charges are going to affect the elderly in future years. I am pleased with the outcome of S.2140. I hope this is just the beginning."



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Cokkinias Proposes Drunk Driving Plan

Mary Gail Cokkinias, candidate for Hampden County Commission, stated today that there are other solutions for the drunken driving problem than "throwing offenders into an already overcrowded jail." She continued, "Already 30 prisoners have been added to the crowded county jail. Drunken drivers must be kept off the roads; however, incarceration with hardened, possibly violent criminals is not the answer."

According to Mrs. Cokkinias, "Treating an individual who drove while drunk in the same way one would treat an armed felon is like treating a symptom, poorly, while ignoring the disease."

She added, "Admittedly, an automobile in the hands of a drunk driver is as lethal as a sawed-off shotgun or a knife. Yet for the drunken driver there is no intent of crime as there is for one charged with rape, assault, robbery, or breaking and entering."

Mrs. Cokkinias explained, "Many of those who have been imprisoned by the Driving While Under the Influence statute are people who inadvertently drank too heavily at an office function, a party, or other social get-together.

"We must strongly enforce the DWI statute. I believe the road blocks and other methods used throughout the state have certainly begun to address this serious problem."

She added, "Drunken drivers must be made responsible for their actions. They must be kept off the roads, as they are a definite danger to others and to themselves. Yet they do not belong in a crowded county jail."

According to Mrs. Cokkinias, the solution would be "a regional facility for the four western counties, which would more closely resemble a rehabilitative center than a secure jail. The very nature of the offense," she said, "indicates that a costly secure facility is unnecessary. What is necessary is rehabilitation and education of the person who drives while drunk."

County Retirement Board To Hold Office Hours In Agawam

Daniel M. Keyes, Hampden County treasurer and chairman of the Retirement Board, has scheduled an ongoing series of office hours. Since the program's inception in October of 1980, the visiting office hours program has made 26 visits to various communities in Hampden County.

The purpose of the office hours program is to familiarize the public officials and members of the County Retirement System with the operation of the County Retirement System and answer questions pertaining to retirement and retirement law.

The latest in the series of office hours will take place at the Agawam Town Library at 750 Cooper Street on Friday, August 3rd, from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m.

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Two Firms Get Grants To Locate In I-Park; 70 New Jobs Predicted

The Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency (MIFA) today approved industrial revenue bonds totalling $5.2 million for industrial expansion projects by two companies in Agawam. The two projects will create an estimated 70 new jobs.

DFM Corp., will construct and equip a 35,000 square foot manufacturing building in the Agawam Regional Industrial Park with proceeds from a $2 million bond.

The company will leave its West Springfield facility, which was constructed with a $1.5 million revenue bond in 1980 and expanded in 1982 with a $2.2 million bond. An affiliated firm will expand into the vacated space. Both companies manufacture precision machined components. The project will create an estimated 30 new jobs.

Martin Industries will use proceeds from a $3.2 million bond to construct and equip a 50,000 square foot building in the Agawam Regional Industrial Park. Established in 1941, the firm manufactures plastic processing machinery, including parts extraction systems and robots. The company has grown from 30 employees to 100, and expects to add an additional 40 jobs as a result of this expansion.

At a recent board of directors meeting, MIFA approved bonds totalling $45 million for 28 expansion projects across the state, including bonds for eight firms that are using revenue bonds for a second or third time to finance expansions.

"The companies that are returning to MIFA to finance additional expansion projects clearly demonstrate the importance of IRB financing in helping companies maintain steady growth," said Charles F. Kireker, MIFA's executive director. "The interest rate savings provided by IRBs frees capital for investment in research and development, marketing and other areas, which in turn creates an expanded product market. The end result is a steady pattern of growth and ultimately, more new jobs for the Commonwealth."

The projects approved today will create an estimated 718 new industrial sector jobs.

MIFA is an independent public agency designed to promote economic growth and increased employment through a variety of incentives, including industrial revenue bonds, downtown revitalization through the Commercial Area Revitalization District (CARD) program, and loan guarantees.

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Friday, August 3rd
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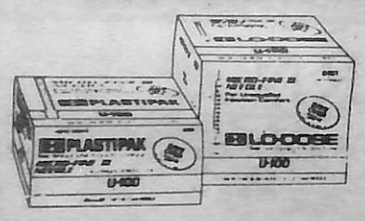

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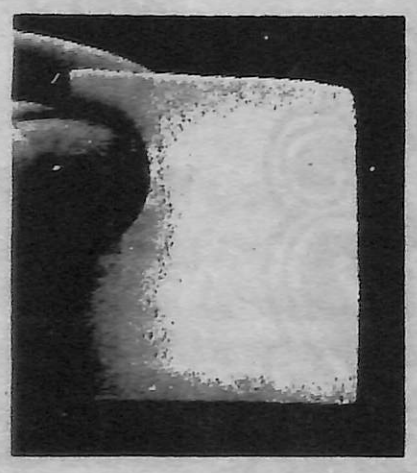

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Keyes Scores Mrs. Coughlin's Charges

Hampden County Treasurer Daniel M. Keyes today responded to a series of charges levied against him by Springfield City Councilor Rosemary Coughlin in a press release published last week in the *Advertiser News*. Mrs. Coughlin is attempting to unseat Keyes as county treasurer in the September primary.

Mrs. Coughlin's statement is a classic prototype of misinformation and outright misrepresentation revealing either total ignorance of the matters contained therein or an intentional effort to mislead. In either case the statement does more than trifle with the truth.

She has accused me of engaging in the "abhorrent practice of nepotism." Nothing could be further from the truth. "Nepotism" is defined as patronage bestowed in consideration of family relationships and not of merit.

In short, she has charged that I have hired members of my family or relatives in the treasurer's office. That charge is absolutely false. At no time during my 5½ years as treasurer has any member of my family or any of my relatives ever been hired or employed in the treasurer's office, and I ask Mrs. Coughlin, in all fairness to me and to the people of Hampden County, to set the record straight.

I challenge her to name any member of my family or any relative who has ever worked in this office. Her accusation is not true and she knows it is not true.

Political Elite Not Involved

She has stated that I have hired the sons and daughters of the "political elite" and that the personnel of the Hampden County Retirement System reads like a "Who's Who in Politics." Again, this is a false accusation.

I challenge her to identify the so-called "political elite" and the sons and daughters she claims are involved. I challenge her to name the persons in the treasurer's office who make up her alleged "Who's Who" in politics. The fact is that the departments in the treasurer's office handle collectively over $33 million annually. This requires the employment of educated, experienced, talented, intelligent men and women.

Everyone of the personnel in our office falls into this classification and every one of them has been approved for employment by the Hampden County Commission or the Hampden County Retirement Board.

Mrs. Coughlin has charged in her statement that the Hampden County Retirement System "continues to be brought down" under my leadership. In the past 5½ years, the Hampden County Retirement System has jumped from a ranking of 96th to 46th out of 104 Retirement Systems in the Commonwealth in terms of income earnings - a jump of 50 places in just five years.

In that same period of time, the assets of the retirement fund has increased almost $8 million, from approximately $14 million in 1978 to almost $22 million at the close of 1983.

Today, because of imaginative, agressive, investment practice initiated by myself and my fellow members of the board, the annual earnings of the system have sky-rocketed to the extent that we now earn over $1-5 million annually on our investments. That was unheard of prior to my term of office.

We had the ingenuity and foresight to take an archaic, outdated system and through the institution of new and innovative ideas bring it into the 20th century.

With reference to her charges that we have invested public dollars in low yield markets, Mrs. Coughlin not only again strays from the truth but reveals a complete ignorance of what the retirement system is and of how it works.

First of all, the monies in the retirement fund are not public dollars, but belong to the members of the system and its retirees.

Second, during my term of office, these funds have been invested in securities which today yield returns which exceed the average yield of the 104 retirement systems throughout the Commonwealth and have caused the system to grow as rapidly as any other system in Massachusetts.

This has been done through diversification and by investing our retirement funds in those institutions where we could get the highest return.

She states that as the fiscal year closes, I have not been able to prepare a year end balance and that I have requested an additional $10,000 to hire a "political hanger-on" to try and balance the books. Again, Mrs. Coughlin shoots from the hip without telling the whole story.

50% Of Office Out With Illnesses

The fact is that 50 percent of the treasurer's office staff - comprising three people - are not working. Two are out with serious illnesses and a third is on maternity leave. Our fiscal year ended June 30th. All county department books must be closed by July 10th, and I had until July 20th to prepare the year end balance.

Because of the crisis created by the illness in our office, I asked for an extension of ten days until July 30th to prepare the year end balance. The Bureau of Accounts of the State Department of Revenue have approved the extension. The Hampden County Commission and the Advisory Board have approved an appropriation to hire an individual from July 1st to August 31st to prepare the year end balance.

This individual is qualified and competent to do the job and the characterization of political hanger-on by Mrs. Coughlin is just another ill-tempered and virulent attempt to confuse the issue and paint a picture that doesn't exist," Keyes concluded.

Sheriff Ashe Supports O'Connor Campaign

Hampden County Sheriff Michael J. Ashe today endorsed the reelection bid of Hampden County Commissioner Thomas J. O'Connor.

O'Connor is in the first term as commissioner and earlier this year was elected chairman of the three-member board.

Ashe said, "Tom O'Connor has been instrumental in our plans to expand and improve facilities at the Hampden County House of Corrections on York Street. His knowledge and cooperation in this area will improve our efforts to make law enforcement in Hampden County more effective."

"As Sheriff of Hampden County, I know that Tom O'Connor has long been a friend of law enforcement professionals during his tenure as a state representative, mayor of Springfield, and now as chairman of the Hampden County Commission.

"Tom O'Connor has a clear understanding of our system of law enforcement and knows what has to be done to improve it. I urge the voters of Hampden County to reelect Tom O'Connor to a second term on the county commission.

"He has done a fine job for the residents of Hampden County in his first term and I believe his experience and ability will be needed in the County over the next four years."

O'Connor said he was "honored to be endorsed by Mike Ashe, one of the finest law enforcement officials in the Commonwealth. We've done some good things in Hampden County over the past four years and I hope we'll be allowed to continue, especially with regard to the House of Corrections on York Street."

O'Connor was elected to the County Commission in 1980.

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William L. Cheetham Weds West Springfield Woman

Debra Corriveau became the bride of William Cheetham on Friday, June 8th at St. Thomas Church in West Springfield.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Corriveau of Old Barn Road, West Springfield. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cheetham of 700 North West Street, Feeding Hills.

Mrs. Donna Hoernig attended her sister as matron of honor. Bestman was Mr. Charles Mickey.

Following a reception at Oak Ridge Country Club, the couple left on a honeymoon to Montreal and Quebec.

The bride is a graduate of Holyoke Community College and is employed by Dunhill. The groom is a graduate of Agawam High School and is employed by Johnson Insulation Co.

The couple resides at Pine Hill Plantation in Belchertown.

Karen Marie Mallette Weds Thomas Daniel Sellers

Karen Marie Mallette became the bride of Thomas Daniel Sellers of 2155 West Street, Redding, California on Saturday, July 7th in the Valley Community Church in Feeding Hills.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andre Mallette of 67 North Street, Agawam.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Irwin Sellers of San Milinos, California. A reception followed the ceremony at the West Springfield-Agawam Elks in West Springfield.

Out-of-town guests came from New Hampshire, Boston, Colorado and San Francisco.

The bride is a graduate of Agawam High School and received a bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts. She is employed by Jhirmack Enterprises in Redding, California. The bridegroom graduated from Chaffey High School, Ontario, California, and received his bachelor's degree from California State in Chico, California. Mr. Sellers is a reporter and sports writer for the *Record Searchlight* newspaper in Redding, California.

The couple will reside in Redding, California after returning from a honeymoon trip touring the east coast.

LETTER CARRIER EDWARD J. CABRAL receives his certificate of appreciation from Postmaster Lillian Giles in a ceremony at the Agawam Post Office on Tuesday, July 24th. Cabral's alertness saved the life of a North Agawam woman last month. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Edward J. Cabral Receives Postal Award

Agawam Post Office letter carrier Edward J. Cabral, of 103 North Street, Agawam, received on Tuesday, July 24th, a "certificate of appreciation" from the United States Post Office for saving the life of a local senior citizen.

The veteran mailman was presented his award by Agawam Postmaster Lillian Giles in a ceremony at the Agawam Center branch.

While delivering mail on June 7th, Cabral noticed 84-year-old, Mrs. Peter Mutti of 57 Spencer Street, Agawam, lying on the ground. Mrs. Mutti had seriously injured her hip and could not move.

Mrs. Mutti was alert enough to ask Cabral to enter her home and shut-off a burning pot on the stove.

Cabral immediately called local paramedics who were on the scene within three minutes. Mrs. Mutti was then transported to Bay State Medical Center, Springfield Unit. The North Agawam woman was admitted to the hospital with a fractured hip and was operated on that same evening.

Mrs. Giles said of Cabral's actions, "I consider your actions to have been in the finest tradition of the Postal Service, and specifically of the Agawam Post Office. You enhanced your image in the community, and more importantly, you demonstrated concern and awarness for the patrons we serve.

"You are formally commended for a job well done and this "certificate of appreciation" is presented to you in recognition of your outstanding efforts. Please keep up the good work and you have my personal thanks."

Microcomputer Session Set by Westfield State College

"Programming Your Microcomputer In Basic" is being offered as a credit-free course this summer at Westfield State College. It is especially for the non-technical, inexpert user who wishes to learn the fundamentals of the BASIC language. Designed for the beginner, this intensive course will show you how to design and execute your own programs. BASIC is applicable and useful on most microcomputers, and a variety of applications will be shown.

This four session course will begin on Tuesday evening, August 7th, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Tuition is $75.00 and the registration fee is $10.00. For more information and for pre-registration contact the Division of Continuing Education at 568-1992 Monday through Friday. Pre-registration is required.

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August Events Golden Age Club

August 1st: Chapter 2 - Regular meeting with Alex Axiotus, harmonica player.

August 3rd: Chapter 1 - Board of Directors meeting at 1:00 p.m.

August 6th: Trip to Saratoga Race Track.

August 8th: Chapter 1 - Regular meeting with a white elephant sale.

August 9th: Trip to Niagra Falls, Canada - 4 days - Sheraton Fox Hotel.

August 15th: Chapter 2 - Regular meeting with musical selections by James Laudato.

August 16th: Trip to Saratoga Race Track.

August 21st: Trip to Martha's Vineyard, Cape Cod.

August 22nd: Chapter 1 - Regular meeting with a musical program by Joanne Sawyer.

August 24th: Chapter 2 - Board of Directors meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Laughing Brook Sponsors Program On Meadow Life

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden, is offering a program for families called "Meadow Minibeasts" on Saturday, August 4th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. This program is designed especially for families and registration must be received by August 1st.

"Meadow Minibeasts" offers families a chance to closely explore a field together to see more than just butterflies and grasshoppers. Participants will get a close look at the varied world of the meadow and study how field insects have adapted to their surroundings. *Everyone is asked to bring a clear glass jar with a perforated screw lid to house their temporary guests.*

"Meadow Minibeasts" is open to the public and a special family rate will be charged. For more information, call Laughing Brook at 413-566-8034.

All The Best In Local News With Us, Every Week!

GEORGE & ESTHER REYNOLDS of 581 River Road, Agawam, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, July 15th. George and Esther are former high school sweethearts. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

George & Esther Reynolds Celebrate 50th Anniversary

George L. and Esther (Shwartz) Reynolds celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, July 15th, at the Elmcrest County Club in East Longmeadow.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds (Agawam high school sweethearts) were married on July 7th, 1934 in a garden wedding held at the home of Mrs. Reynolds' parents on River Road.

The Reynolds are Agawam natives and the parents of Gay Langlois of Enfield, and Jeffrey G. Reynolds of Tolland. They have two grandchildren, Douglas M. *and James M. Langlois of Enfield.*

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds served as schoolteachers before their retirement. Both have served the community in various activities over the years. Mr. Reynolds is a former Agawam High football hero.

Some 175 guests joined the celebration and enjoyed the recollection of the couple's golden memories.

Ruth Borgatti Picnic Slated For Elks Club August 3rd

A chicken barbeque in memory of Ruth Borgatti who succumbed to Scleroderma will be held on Friday, August 3rd at the Elks Club Pavilion, Morgan Road, West Springfield. All money made will go to the Scleroderma National Foundation (S.I.F.) who in turn will give it to Dr. Stanley Jacob, scientist for research from the University of Oregon Science Department.

Scleroderma is a disease that literally turns your skin to stone and attacks blood vessels.

At the October 1983 national meeting, about 80 people with scleroderma attended (79 women and two men). Twenty of these people donated their blood to a scientist from the University of Pittsburg. In these tests, they found that the blood cells were being destroyed so that now they have something further to research.

Tickets are $3.99 each and chef, Leo Loncrini says, "I will begin serving at 6:00 p.m. with salad, ziti, broccoli sauce, ½ chicken, bread, coffee and desert. I would like to see a good many people for this great cause."

Committee people, chairman Tom Frasco, ticket sales, Walter Miller, publicity Gubby Borgatti, raffle chairpersons, Adrienne Frasco and Ella Ruby. Marilyn Duclos, Ann Marie Doyle, Lois Menard, Tim Duclos, and Vic Menard will set up tables and serve food and will work hard to accommodate all diners.

The raffle will be an afghan made and donated by an 83-year-old woman.

The Agawam Scleroderma Fund is the only chapter in the greater Springfield area to raise funds for research to find a cause and cure for this dreaded-disease.

If you don't see any of the above committee poeple for tickets, call Gubby Borgatti, husband of deceased Ruth, at 786-2834 any morning.

In 1981 Elaine Carlson of Feeding Hills also succumbed to scleroderma.

Nocturnal Adoration Society To Meet In Feeding Hills

Members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society of Agawam and West Springfield, will gather in Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills, to conduct and pray the *"Office of the Blessed Sacrament," Friday, August 3rd, from 9:00 p.m. through Saturday, August 4th, at 6:00 a.m.*

Rev. Joseph Flood, C.S.S., pastor, will officiate at the opening with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Alternating groups of members spend one hour of adoration throughout the nine-hour vigil, with closing benediction at 6:00 a.m.

Assisting with vigil arrangements are Thomas Murray, chairman of Sacred Heart's membership and Alfred L. Mutti, the society's membership secretary.

Membership is open to all men and women over 18 years of age. Contact Father Flood or Father Richard Ahearn, or Richard Smus and Thomas Murray at 786-2949 and 786-3208, respectively.

The vigil is open to the public and may attend at any hour.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Monday, July 30th
Agawam Citizens For Life
St. Anthony Church
7:30 p.m.

August 6th - August 17th
Vacation Bible School
Agawam Congregational Church
9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Friday, August 3rd
Chicken Barbeque
In Memory of Ruth Borgatti
Elks Pavilion - West Side
6:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 16th
Record Hop
Parents Without Partners
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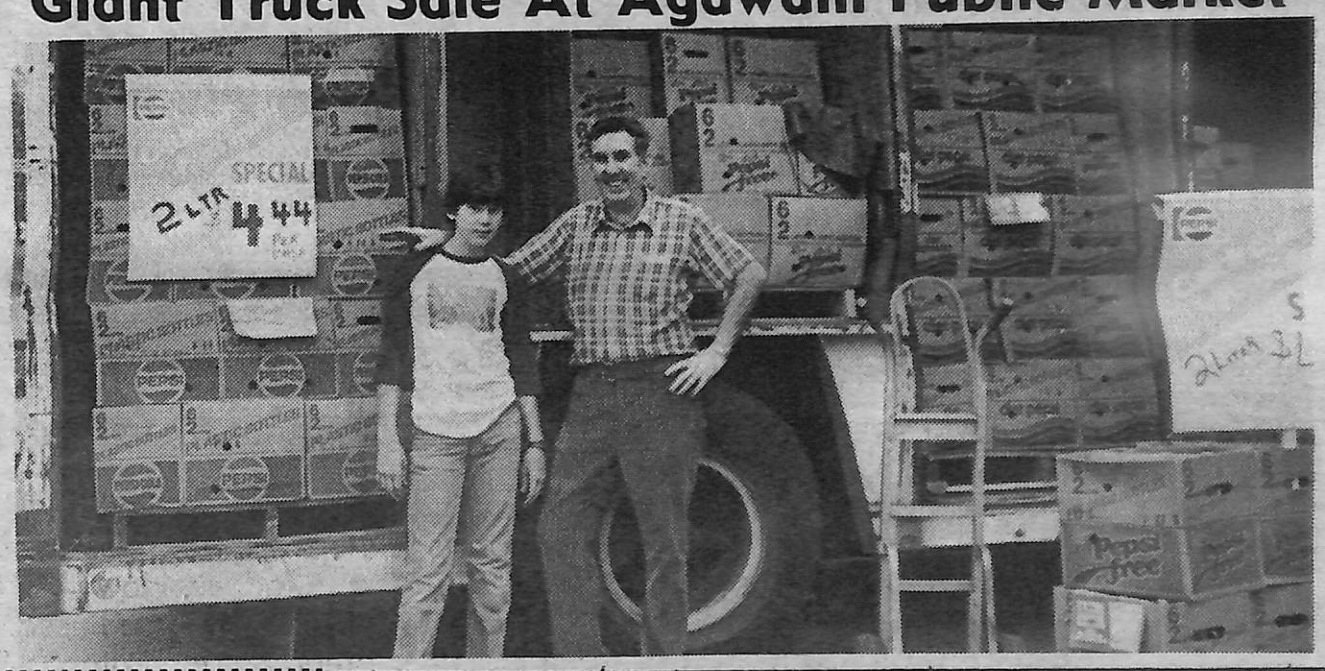
Spotlight On Business...

Ernie Lombardi Begins Work On Green Gables For Fall Opening Of Steak & Chowder House

AFTER MUCH PREPARATION AND RED TAPE, Ernie Lombardi (right), owner and operator of J.W. Wimpy's on Walnut Street Extension, is completely renovating and adding to his Green Gables banquet house and lounge on River Road, Agawam. The result of all the work, scheduled to be completed sometime this fall, will be a unique steak and chowder house. Lombardi told us he is quite excited about the project and said the adjacent Connecticut River only will add to the overall atmosphere of the new restaurant. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

ERNIE LOMBARDI hard at work on the rustic Green Gables which he is turning into a steak and chowder house this fall. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Giant Truck Sale At Agawam Public Market



AGAWAM PUBLIC MARKET on Main Street recently held a giant truck sale of soda, just in time for the July 4th holiday. Here, Gerald Coderre (right), owner and operator, displays all the soda soon-to-be-sold with his son, Rene. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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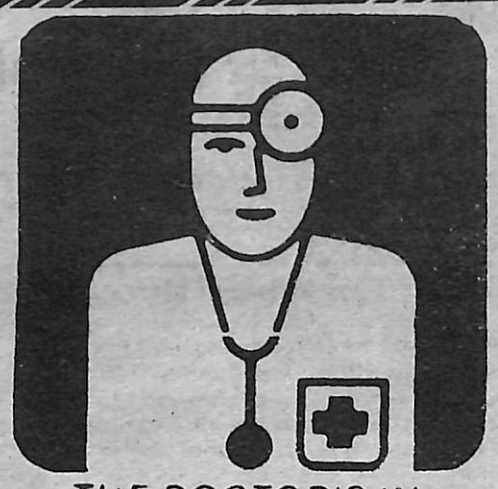

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MEDICAL ADVICE FOR THE TRAVELER

Make sure your vacation does not become a disaster because you did not plan for medical nusiances. Here are some tips to help you. Enjoy your vacation!

SEA AND AIR SICKNESS: *If on board a ship, a room near the waterline in the middle of the ship will minimize the effect of ocean rolling.* Staying out on the deck and breathing fresh air is helpful also. One's eating habits are crucial, one should not over indulge in food or drink while on board. The best position to minimize symptoms for air sickness is the reclining position. You should lie back as far as possible and keep your eyes closed. A seat on the right hand side of the plane is best for those who experience air sickness. If on an airplane for several hours, a periodic stretching of the legs is advised by walking or standing in the aisle. This is important to older travelers and for people *with heart disease or varicose veins.*

FOOD: *Proper hygenic measures should be maintained during the trip. Cold plates,* custards, pastries or any food that seems to have been prepared long in advance should be avoided. All meats should be well cooked and hot when eaten in developing countries. Fresh fish is safe, provided it is well cooked. Raw or smoked fish may contain *organisms that can infect man. All vegetables that are freshly cooked safe. All fresh fruits with unbroken skins are safe.*

WATER: *Water may be safe in some areas of the developing world,* but is is rare that one can depend upon this. In most parts of Northern and Western Europe and in advanced Asisan cities, one can drink water from the faucet. However, for those on transient trips, the use of bottled water or hot tea or hot coffee is advised. It is advised to avoid soft drinks in the tropics unless it has been prepared according to Stateside standards or imported.

CLIMATE: When traveling from a cool area to hot area, one should not attempt to participate in vigorous activity for a few days. Loose fitting cotton garmets should be worn.

INNOCULATIONS: Travel agent will advise of proper innoculations. Innoculations that could be required from anything from smallpox, tetanus, diptheria, typhoid, cholera, yellow fever, gamma globulin. Make sure you keep a copy of records on all innoculations with you at all times when traveling.

To find a physician overseas, the best place to locate one is to call the American Embassy. One of the prime duties of the Embassy is to maintain an up-to-date list of selected medical specialists.

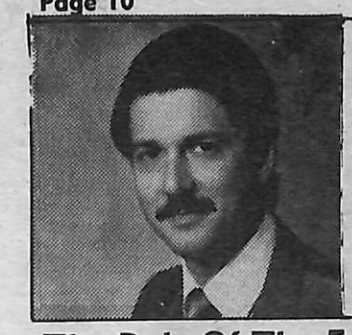
A medical kit that **ALL TRAVELERS** should have indludes:

1. Personal physicians report & telephone number
2. Assorted bandages, cotton, scissors, tweezers, thermometer, sunburn lotion
3. Aspirin
4. Antihistamines
5. Pills for motion sickness
6. Paragoric (need MD prescription for this)
7. Antibiotics (need MD prescription for this)

MEDICAL KIT FOR THE TROPICAL TRAVELER:

1. Salt tablets
2. Insect repellants
3. Mosquito net
4. Antimalarials
5. Water purfication tablets
6. Soap

For more information "Medical Advice for the Traveler" by Kevin M. Cahill, M.D. is recommended.



A PART OF LIFE

by Peter Forastiere
Colonial Funeral Home

The Role Of The Funeral Director

In the last several years, our society's attitudes toward death and dying have changed dramatically. In the past, burial customs and funeral services were usually held only as a means of showing respect to the dead. Today, these services are also desired to help safeguard the mental and emotional health of the living. Therefore, at the time of a family crisis, through death, the funeral director needs to be able to function as a supportive counselor, concerning, coping with grief, arranging a funeral and preparing legal documents.

When called, the funeral director must always be prepared to respond immediately in bringing the deceased to the funeral home. He will also make the family aware of the many choices available to them, such as, type of funeral service and where and when it is to be held.

During this initial meeting with the family, the funeral director will gather all the information necessary for the completion of legal forms and other services relative to the funeral. With this information, the funeral director will initiate and coordinate the many details that need to be taken care of for the family.

After the funeral director obtains the information which will allow him to complete all the details, he will explain the many service options available to them. He makes sure that the selecting family understands the basic differences in caskets and vaults so that they may make an informed decision, and, he will assist the family in deciding on the final means of disposition of the deceased.

Throughout all of the time the funeral director spends with the bereaved person, he must be sensitive to their needs and perceptive enough to sense their unspoken concerns. He must be knowledgable in explaining death to children, coping with grief, accepting suicide and many other problems often confronted as a part of a loss through death. The funeral director, now, must have the training and attitude to advise and provide resources for people in time of grief. All of funeral service must involve care for the deceased but also a genuine concern for life and the living.

MORE FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

By Vi Massoia

Dorval Sure Loves Baseball

This is a message to JOHN DORVAL. It's bad enough to spend your birthday at the Sacred Heart baseball field, but your wedding anniversary, too? John's answer would be, "It was worth every minute." The reason being - John's team gave him and his wife, Carol, the best anniversary present - THE CHAMPIONSHIP in the boys' 12-13 league. (We really think their good luck charm was the appearance of John's parents, MR. and MRS. DORVAL from Chicopee).

The Dorvals reside on Southwick Street, Feeding Hills with their sons, MIKE, 13, and MARK, 12.

John is director of operations at the Feeding Hills Post Office. (Oh, by the way, they went out Saturday night to celebrate their anniversary).

Congratulations on your anniversary and the championship.

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Nice to see former Agawam residents coming back to visit their family and friends - even if it's only for a short time.

JOHN and ANNA (MARKOWSKI) KUNASEK were here for about three weeks. John is stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas. They had their son, WILLIAM JOHN, baptized at St. Theresa of the Infant Jesus Church in Agawam on July 8th.

***Besides his grandparents on both sides, this lucky little fellow had four great-grandmothers in attendance. They were* EVA RIVERS from Agawam; MRS. MARKOWSKI, from Holyoke; MRS. JENNIE SOCHA, from Chicopee; and MRS. KUNASEK from Cooper City, Florida. (William also has a sister, JENNIFER).**

Congratulations to all.

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THOMAS and IDA COLLI of Prospect Street, Agawam, and DOCTORS SAVA and ANN NEDELCOUYCH of Falls Church, Virginia, are proud to share the announcement of their first grandson with Friends and Neighbors. He is CHRISTOPHER (CHRIS) NEDELCOUYCH who was born on Mother's Day, May 13th.

He weighed seven and one half pounds and measured twenty-one and one half-inches long. Also proud of their son are DOCTOR MIMA and SALLY (COLLI) NEDELCOUYCH of Reston, Virginia.

They recently returned to the United States from Gabor, Africa, wher Doctor Nedelcouych was a Peace Corp director. Friends and Neighbors hopes in the near future to give you some information on their stay in Africa. (Sally graduated from Agawam High School in 1952).

Congratulations to Mimi and Sally.

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VINCENT CURTO of Kellogg Street, Feeding Hills, celebrated his fourth birthday on July 17th. The next day he brought smiles to the faces of both old and young as he came riding down to the Sacred Heart baseball fields on a battery operated three wheel toy vehicle. Anyone would have enjoyed getting a present like that when they were four years old. He is the son of MR. and MRS. MICHAEL CURTO.

Belated birthday wishes Vinnie.

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"East is east and west is west and never the twain shall meet" is the old saying, but not so in the case of JIM and DIANE MAPSON of Ervine, California.

After their cruise to the Virgin Islands they came to Springfield to see Jim's grandmother, LOUISE MASSOIA and to introduce Diane to all the folks on the east coast. Jim's mother, MARY MASSOIA MAPSON from Costa Mesa, California, was also in town. During their three day stay they made several trips which included Vermont, Stockbridge, Deerfield, and the Cape Cod area. One of the highlights of their visit was a gathering of the clan which included relatives from Springfield, Southwick, Northampton, and Jim's uncle and aunt, LOU and VI MASSOIA, of Feeding Hills.

This gathering was held at the New Brass Rail in Southwick. Jim is owner of the Mapson Electronics in Orange County, California.

A great time was had by all.

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THE CORN KING, Al Christopher of Meadow Street, moves through one of his corn fields on his tractor. The early-June flooding that struck that end of town wiped out four of Al's fields, but he predicts the corn he does have will be good eating. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

FEEDING HILLS FARMER NOEL BROWN, owner and operator of Provin Mountain Farms, keeps a close watch over one of his fields on Tuesday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Corn Ready This Week

by Dorine Kubik
Advertiser News Feature Writer

Throughout history corn has always grown in abundance in Agawam and Feeding Hills. The story of corn begins since the days of the Indians as Agawam's fertile fields have always produced a high quality crop.

People have nicknamed one particular grower, "The Corn King," as his farm's production yields a million ears yearly. "Not so this year," Agawam's corn king, Al Christopher of Meadow Street sadly stated during a recent interview. "Our corn is late this year and will be in short supply now and for the next two weeks." The stand is scheduled to open Wednesday, July 25th, but the Christopher family will open this summer without their usual enthusiasm.

"I was wiped out on four fields due to the recent flood and we are now having a problem with army worms," Al remarked. "Weeds are also a problem," his son Tom added. "We should have had our Adams Street farm picked by now."

Al went on to say, "Farming in general from the whole Connecticut Valley is the worst it's been since the 1955 flood." This includes big farms, small farms, and home gardeners."

The recent flooding in Agawam played havoc with Christopher's farms. "We are just trying to salvage what we have left," he remarked. "Our farms were under six feet of water."

Cecchi Farms

Bob Cecchi on the other hand has been selling his corn at his stand on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, since July 13th. He stated that his first corn was a yellow variety and last week his bi-color corn was ready. Rains caused some delay to his early crop, but Cecchi's stand will carry native corn until early October.

Bob Cecchi will be offering three varieties of native corn; Bi-Color, Yellow, and White with the prices the same as last year. "This week should see some excellent large ears of corn," he stated. "Our corn will be the best in town."

PRETTY SUE BODURTHA at E. Cecchi Farms on Route 57, Feeding Hills, opens an ear to prove that the early-season corn is indeed, ready for Agawam's corn lovers. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Provin Mt. Farms

During a telephone interview, Noel Brown of Feeding Hills said that he was going to have to go out and pick some corn this week. But, he believes that the best corn is still around the corner. "Early corn takes 65 days," Farmer Brown said. He predicts by mid-August, "We will be picking our best corn, a later variety." Picking will begin this week and progress until October.

Farmer Brown will offer two or three yellow varieties, two whites, and several bi-colors. "There will be plenty of corn this year and prices will be about the same," he

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FIRE WISE

by Rusty Jenks - Acting Fire Chief

A Question Of Burning

When you or a loved one are burned, your immediate action may make the difference between a painful inconvenience and a lifetime of anguish. Burn injuries can be caused by coming in contact with flames, hot objects, hot liquids, chemicals, electricity, etc. One way the seriousness of burns is measured is by how deeply the burn has penetrated the skin. Here's how to identify and deal with the major classes of burns:

First degree burns are minor burns and usually require no medical treatment. Simply run cool water over the burn for several minutes. This not only relieves pain, but draws off residual heat that may be further damaging tissues. If desired, apply a dry dressing. It won't speed healing, but will ensure that objects don't brush directly against the sensitive skin surface.

Second degree burns are more serious; any but the smallest call for treatment. These burns appear red or mottled. Blisters, swelling, surface weeping and acute pain often accompany this type of burn. For first aid, immerse the area in cold water or wrap in cloths soaked in ice water. Blot dry with a clean cloth (**not** absorbent cotton) and cover with sterile gauze or a clean cloth. Do not break blisters; do not apply ointments or grease. If the second-degree burn covers 10-15% of the body (larger than two fists sizes of the victim) or involves face, hands, feet or genitals, hospitalization is required.

Third degree burns are extremely serious. This burn entails total destruction of skin tissue. The burn may look brown, dead white, or charred. Sometimes a third degree burn will look just like a second degree at first, but little pain may be reported by the victim because nerve endings have been destroyed.

You cannot treat a third degree burn; obtain emergency medical assistance. Until help arrives, remove clothing, rings, belts, and shoes which may obstruct swelling, but do not remove fabric which has bonded to the burn surface. Cover the burned area with a clean cloth and elevate it. If fluid loss is extensive, you may wrap a burned extremity **other** than the head in a plastic bag.

Many acids, alkalis, and corrosive chemicals burn on contact. Correct treatment for such a burn is copious amounts of water to flush away and dilute the chemical. Skin burns should be washed at least 20 minutes. If the eyes are affected they should be washed continually until help arrives. Medical attention for burns is required whenever breathing difficulty or fever develops.

Historical Museum Offers Adult Classes In August

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum will offer two courses for adults in August. Take the opportunity to discover the nearly forgotten craft of "Cut and Pierced Lampshades," or explore two local herb gardens this summer with "Tours, Teas, and Tussie Mussies."

The craft of creating decorative cut and pierced Victorian lampshades will be taught by Dori Peavey in a one-day workshop on Saturday, August 18th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Create a beautiful pierced and sculptured 6x10x7 shade like the ones that were so popular in the mid 1800s.

Tours, Teas and Tussie Mussies will give participants the opportunity to tour the Dupuis Quality Plant in West Springfield and the Herbal Beehive in Southampton on Saturday, August 11th, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For more information contact the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum at 732-3080.

Italian Women's Club Again To Host Columbus Day Queen

The Italian Women's Club, under the auspices of The United Italian American Societies and Clubs will again this year be the hostess club for the Annual Columbus Day Queen Pageant.

Single women between the age of 18 and 21 of either paternal or maternal Italian ancestry are encouraged to enter the contest. All women interested are requested to attend an informal get together Sunday, September 9th, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Francis Stirlacci, 246 Dwight Road, Springfield. The deadline for applications is Sunday, September 9th.

The coronation of the Columbus Day Queen and selection of her court will be Sunday, September 23rd at the Marriott Hotel, Springfield. Women will be judged on formal and informal dress, poise, beauty, personality and intelligence. Judges will pre-interview contestants prior to the presentation. Entertainment will be provided and the public is invited to attend.

The queen will preside over the Columbus Day Banquet on Saturday, October 6th, and at the parade on Sunday, October 7th.

For more information contact Mrs. Helen Santaniello, 90 Appleton Street, Springfield or Mrs. Linda Villamaino, 96 Washington Street, Springfield, co-chairpersons of the event.

1984 Agawam High School graduate Karen Albano of Roberta Circle was a member of the 1983 Queen's Court.

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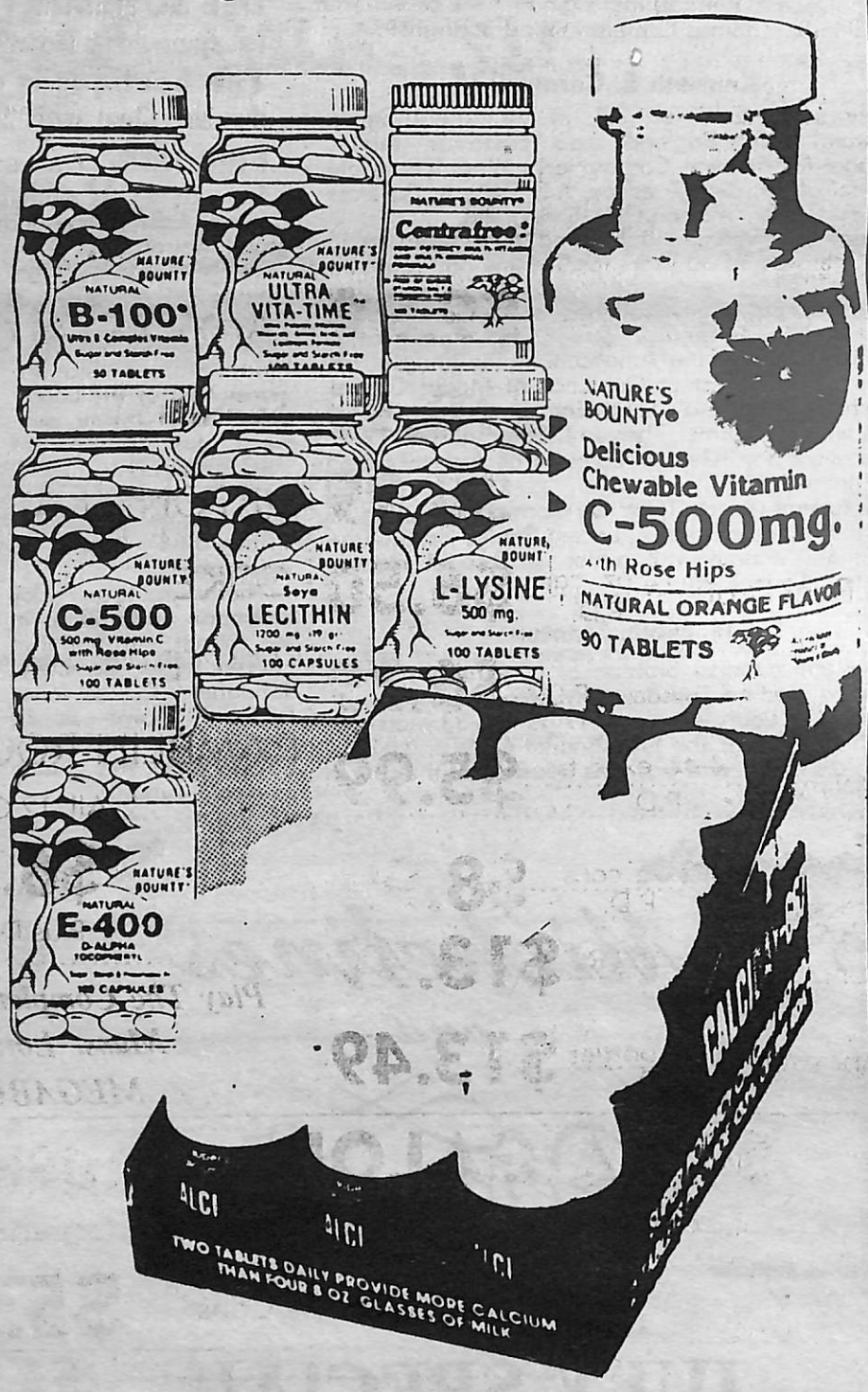

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Obituaries

Elio L. Capponcelli

Agawam: Elio L. Capponcelli, 81, of 11 Mulberry Street, retired Town Hall custodian, died Thursday, July 19th in Mercy Hospital, Springfield.

He previously operated an industrial catering service in the Chicopee-Springfield area.

Born in Bologna, Italy, he lived in Agawam 50 years.

He was a communicant of St. Anthony's Church and member of its Holy Name Society and Victor Emmanuel Club.

He leaves his wife, the former Theresa Cartello; a son Donald C. of Feeding Hills; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral was Monday morning at Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in the church with burial in St. Thomas Cemetery, West Springfield.

Benjamin J. Miranda

Agawam: Benjamin J. "Barney" Miranda, 73, of 775 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, retired Lido Restaurant (Springfield) bartender, died Wednesday, July 18th in Mercy Hospital, Springfield.

A member of Bartenders Union Local 116, he was vice president of the Bartenders 4th District, and member of the executive board of Local 116.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he lived in Agawam 25 years and also worked five years for Springfield Country Club.

He was an Army veteran of World War II and had served in the Merchant Marine.

He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church, and member of Disabled American Veterans, and American Legion Post 75.

He leaves his wife, the former Helen M. Hamley; two sons, Chicopee School Committeeman Kevin J. Miranda, and Anthony of Brooklyn; three daughters, Maryann Miranda of Chicopee, Tammi Jean and Rose Marie Miranda, both of Feeding Hills; two sisters, Lena Farrella of Eatontown, M.H. and Matilda LoCurto of Long Island, N.Y., and two grandchildren.

The funeral was Saturday, July 21st at Curran-Jones Funeral Home, West Springfield and in the church with burial in St. Thomas Cemetery, West Springfield.

Kenneth E. Cornwell

Kenneth E. Cornwell, 72, of 23 Albert Street, Agawam, New England area customer service manager for Berkline Corporation's West Springfield regional office, died Tuesday, July 24th, in Baystate Medical Center, Wesson Unit, Springfield.

A native of Springfield, he lived in Agawam for 15 years. He worked 30 years for Berkline and retired in 1977.

Cornwell previously coached a sandlot baseball team for the *Springfield Daily News*, and was a baseball coach for the American Legion League. He was a communicant of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, in Springfield's South End.

His wife, the former Theresa DiSanti, died in 1978. He leaves a son, George Cornwell of Agawam, and three grandchildren.

The funeral was on Thursday morning, July 26th, at Forastiere Funeral Home, Locust Street, Springfield, and in the church with burial in Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Springfield.

N. Merle Stanton

N. Merle (Daniel) Stanton of 87 Anthony Street, Agawam, died on Tuesday, July 24th, at home.

Born in St. Louis, she lived in Agawam 33 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, its Searchlighters Circle, and was past treasurer of the church Trading Post.

She was a past matron of Isadore Forbes Chapter Order of Eastern Star and was an OES district deputy grand matron.

She was worthy high priestress of the Nazarene chapter of White Shrine of Jerusalam.

She leaves her husband, Harold Stanon, former host of the Laurel and Hardy movie segment on Springfield TV-22; a daughter, Sherry Ann Bessette of Westfield; and a sister, Thelma Driscoll of Agawam.

The funeral is on Friday afternoon, July 27th, in the church with burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery, Springfield. Curran Jones Funeral Home is in charge. Donations may be made to the church memorial fund.

Former Resident Opens Andover Boutique

DEE BONEMERY ZOLNER, a 1966 graduate of Agawam High School, recently opened a boutique in Andover, Massachusetts, with her husband, Lee (left). The boutique is called R.L. Petersen's and is located on Main Street in Andover. Dee and Lee assumed ownership of their women's specialty store on June 10th.

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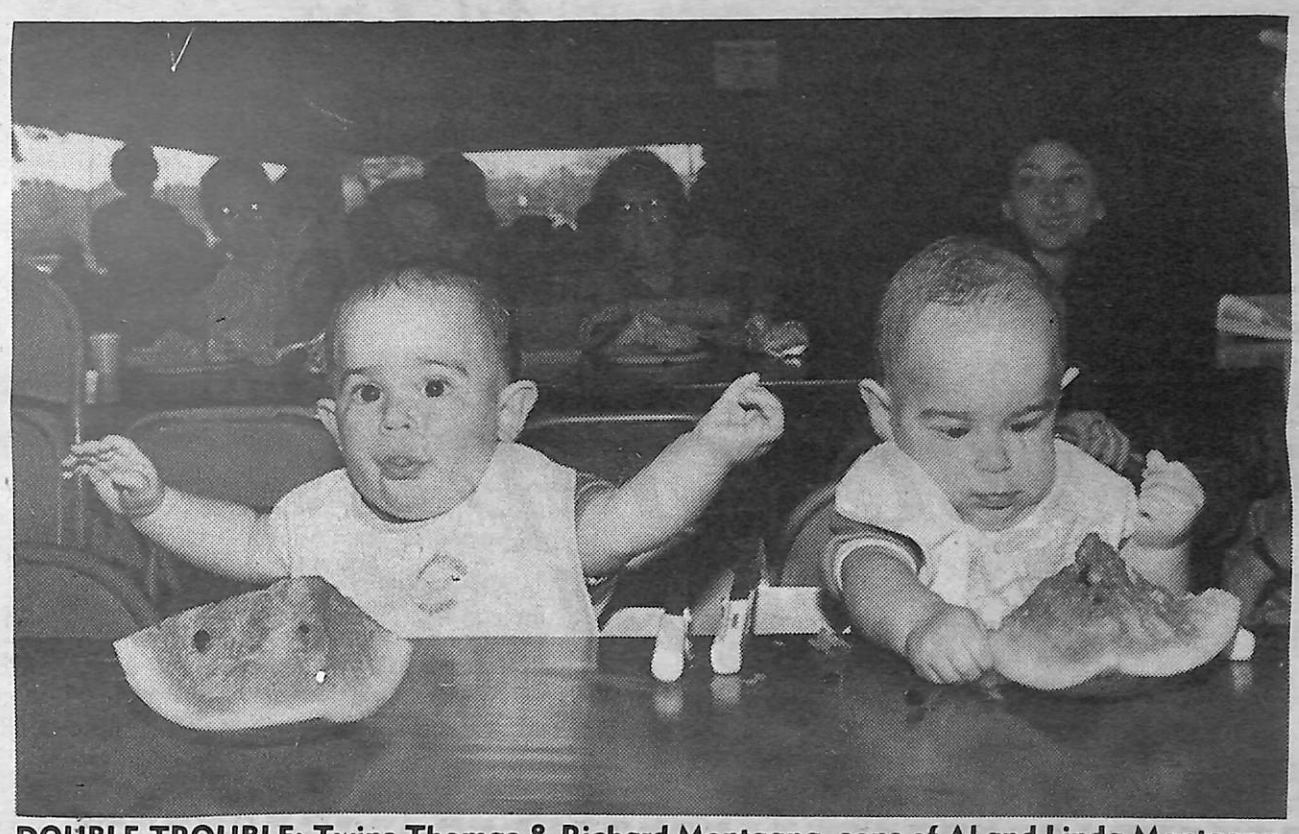
UNICO CHICKEN EXPERTS: Cooking up a storm at the annual UNICO Chicken Barbeque were, from left - Louis Russo, Jackie Chriscola, Walter Valego, Joe DePalo, and John Chriscola III. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

LAST YEAR'S UNICO president, Paul Ferrarini, is m Odette Benjamin and Edythe Coughlin have plenty Polish American Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DOUBLE TROUBLE: Twins Thomas & Richard Montagna, sons of Al and Linda Montagna of 76 Ottawa Street, Agawam, not only look alike, but have similar taste buds, too. Here the happy brothers dig into their dessert - watermelon at Sunday's UNICO barbeque. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

KITCHEN WORKERS: From left, Agawam UNICO m Al Malone make huge mounds of salad for hungr barbeque, held again this year at the Polish Americ

FIVE-YEAR-OLD NICHOLAS CREMONTI of 62 City View Avenue, West Springfield, finds that the barbequed chicken, prepared with Frank Chriscola's secret formula, is more than delicious. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Town Flocks To A UNICO Barbeq

by Dorine Kubik
Advertiser News Feature Writer

The Agawam Chapter of UNICO National held their annual chicken barbeque last Sunday, at the Polish American Club's pavilion in Feeding Hills. As a means to benefit Agawam UNICO's many community charitable undertakings, July 22nd's event was the "22nd" year that UNICO has sponsored this gathering.

Delicious Chicken

The chicken barbecues sponsored by Agawam UNICO have always been successful. Italians really know how to prepare chicken the right way and with the friendly atmosphere at the Polish American Club of Agawam, that can only create a winning combination.

Longtime Unican Paul V. Ferrarini, Sr., honorary chairman of the event, admitted that the "chicken does taste good." He explained, "It's a special formula that we use and actually one of fellow Unico member Frank Chriscola's. People come back year after year for more."

UNICO men prepared Sunday's meal and cooked the chicken on huge grills over the Polish Club's giant barbecue pits behind the pavilion. They were kept constantly busy basting and turning hundreds of pounds of chicken to perfection. About 1,400 chickens were cooked.

Although the chicken served in one-half portions with its delicious seasoning stole the show, the generous menu also included corn-on-the-cob, tossed salad, fried potatoes, Italian bread, fresh brewed coffee, grape punch, and chunks of cold watermelon for dessert.

Everything was served with precision in a cafeteria-style manner. Also available were take-out orders and UNICO provided special carry-home containers. With today's higher food prices, UNICO managed to keep donations to a minimum at $4 for adults and $2 for children.

Good Crowd

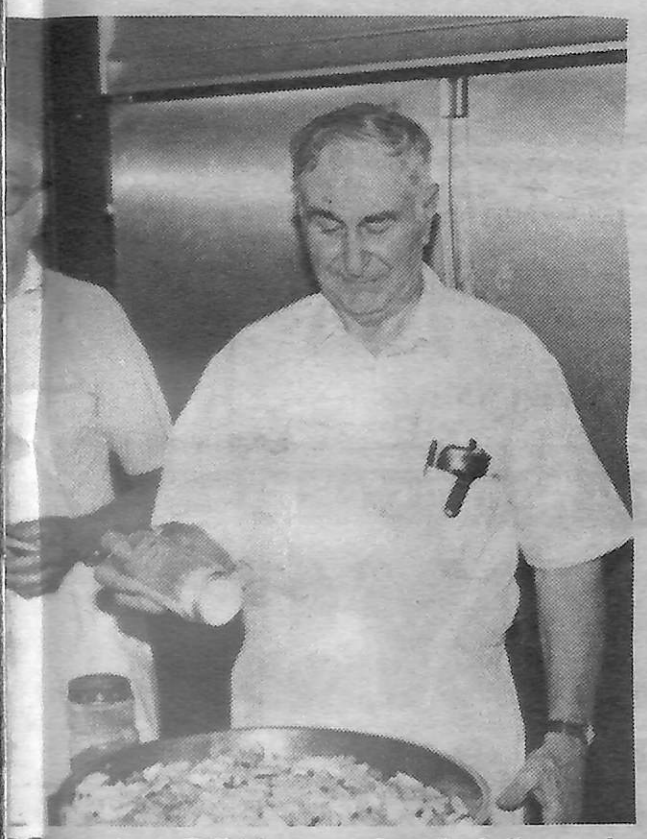
UNICO men began serving at noontime and by the time 2:30 p.m. rolled around, about 960 people were fed. "We expect about 500 more by day's end," Ferrarini remarked and he was most pleased with the day's turn-out.

He commented that last year's event was held despite a steady rain and he was thankful Sunday's weather was on UNICO's side.

Many people were enjoying the good food and weather on outdoor picnic tables and lounge chairs. Polish Club President Bernie Szczygiel was around

is making sure that Agawam senior citizens
enty of food at the Chicken Barbeque at the
ine.

HMMM, HMMM, GOOD: 8-year-old Michael Kisielewski of 50 Oak Hill Avenue, Agawam, chomps on a fresh ear of native corn at UNICO's Annual Chicken Barbeque last Sunday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CO members Bill Mezzetti, Lou Pedulla, and
ungry townspeople at the annual chicken
erican Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

UNICO CORN MAKERS: From left, Agawam Unicans Dante Mutti, Fred Montessi, Dick Forni, and Mike Natale are in charge of preparing native corn for last Sunday's UNICO barbeque. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Annual
que

helping out where needed. "UNICO always has a good turn-out. They have already reserved the grounds for the same event next year."

UNICO selects the Polish American Club for its barbecue because it is a perfect spot for a club event of this type. The club offers both a spacious indoor pavilion as well as an outdoor pavilion along with a barbecue/picnic area, softball field and a large parking lot.

While some members cooked, collected tickets, served chicken, salad, potatoes, corn, butter, others poured coffee, sliced bread and watermelon for the hungry crowd and still other Unicans sold raffle tickets. Door prizes included mini picnic coolers, weed wackers, Asti Spumate, a steam iron, hair dryer, a popcorn popper, and more.

UNICO is the largest Italian-American service organization in the United States, whose motto is "Service Above Self." Their interesting name UNICO is taken from five words in the Unicans' Creed: "Unity, Neighbor, Integrity, Charity, and Opportunity." The local Unicans again lived up to their creed this past Sunday as the dedicated club members volunteered their time so that everyone had an enjoyable day.

UNICANS ED BORGATTI (left) and Ben Deliso were all business when preparing the french fried potatoes at last Sunday's annual chicken barbeque. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

DAVE GALLANO has been cutting watermelon at the annual UNICO Chicken Barbeque for as long as many of us can remember. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Schools

AGAWAM CAMP COUNSELOR MIKE SARDELLA juggles the soccer ball as attentive campers, from left - Junior Arthredy, Matt Danner, and James Powell attentively look on with the hopes of learning the skill. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Town's Kids' Camp Enjoys Smooth Sailing Thru Summer Season

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Writer

The Town of Agawam Parks and Recreation Department, for the second consecutive year is running a summer day camp for children ages 6-15 years at Shea's Field.

And, for the second year in a row, the 200-camper-per-week capacity has been filled. Seven, three, and two week sessions are offered on a Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. basis.

Program Looked Upon Favorably

According to Park and Recreation Director Jack Kunasek, the success of last summer's day camp program was looked very favorably upon by the town's parents and children. "We feel we're offering a very good product to the campers for what we're charging. We've even improved and increased the number of activities we have available to them," Kunasek added.

First-year camp director, Maurice "Gus" Young, a physical education instructor at the Agawam Junior High, is ably assisted this summer by 18 full-time counselors as opposed to only 10 last summer. Additional funding for the camp from the Agawam Town Council is responsible for this.

How do the counselors manage to keep 200 campers per day happy?

According to Young, a structured, yet flexible schedule is prepared for the children, who are divided into two groups; 6-11-year-olds and 12-15-year-olds. Morning activities may range from softball, soccer or tennis lessons to a quiet, relaxed table game or an arts and crafts session.

"The kids pretty much dictate what they want to do. We offer them the organization, instruction and equipment necessary for many activities," noted Young.

SEE SUMMER CAMP & MORE PICTURES On Page 19.....

Elementary, Middle School Bands To Peform Outdoors

For the 15th yegr, friends, parents, and Agawam townspeople are invited to bring their folding chairs or blankets to the Agawam High School flagpole terrace on Wednesday evening, August 1st, at 6:30 p.m., to enjoy a summer concert presented by Agawam Elementary and Middle School band students.

Over 65 band members have been participating in a five-week summer band workshop which has met twice a week at the high school band room. The program is under the direction of Mrs. Sally Lowell, elementary band director; and Darcy Davis, Jr., director of music.

They have been assisted by professional musicians Dante Pilegi and James Kallipolites. Student teachers and their assistants include Amy Lou Porter, Diana Porter, Kelley Bolduc, Becky Green, Scott Hill, Jim Kallipolites, Tom Gionfriddo, and Paul Joseph. In case of rain, the concert will be held **indoors** at the Agawam Junior High School auditorium at 6:30 p.m.

ELEMENTARY BAND MEMBERS include Nicole Burnett, Denise Douglas, Jennifer Jock, Amy Sue Hauser, Sandy Krieger, Christine Placzek, Chris Skala, Denise Landry, Matthew McLean, Scott Russell, David Kozel, Lisa Simpson, Christine Crowley, Michelle Desilets, Barbara Dobise, Erika Fisher, Ben Kohli, Samantha Spangenberg, Sarah Fogg, Heather Willett, Chris Mitchell, Ellen Pappas, Justin Briggs, Robert Fillion, Theresa Moccio, Gina Vergnani, Linda Bouchard, Chris White, Brian Hill, Katie DeBonville, Melissa Luttrell, and Anthony Bracci.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND MEMBERS are Denise Donatini, Jennifer Daubney, Rose Alkas, Amy Allen, Jeremy Doran, Karen Kackobek, James Russell, Susan Arnold, Lisa Lindsey, Susan Joseph, Allison Hubbard, Karen McCarthy, Karen Modzelewski, Terri Cimaroli, David Campbell, Kim Galarneau, Kenny Corwell, Maria Kubik, Dan Green, Danette Africano, Carmino Mazza, Chucky Hoffman, Kristen Radtke, Meggan Martin, Nicole Daigneau, Craig Lepper, Sarah White, Debbie Bull, David Anspach, Michelle Saliba, Maureen Ciempa, Chris Drapeau, Lori Disisto, and Ernest Malone.

For Copies Of Photos In This Issue, Please Contact Jack At His Home - 789-0053

Bedtime Storytime At Agawam Public Library

Agawam Public Library will offer an evening storytime for children aged 2½-3 on Friday, July 27th, from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m., featuring stories and fingerplays about "bedtime." Children may come in pajamas and bring one favorite stuffed animal or doll.

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After lunch, which the campers provide for themselves, they again have several daily activities to choose from, which is then followed by an afternoon swim session at the closeby state pool. This is an optional activity, but Young commented that the majority of children take advantage of the swim time, especially on a hot day.

Field trips and special events also highlight the campers' program. Nature trips to Robinson State Park, field trips to Mountain Park and Look Park (Northampton) all are part of the summer's slate. Specialty events such as rollerskating at the Rollaway Rink on Main Street on various Tuesdays, may be a regular feature for the summer.

A recent "McDonald's Field Day," in conjunction with the restaurant's summer olympic campaign, allowed the campers an opportunity to compete against each other in such events as running races, bean bag toss and softball throw. McDonald's generously provided awards for all the winners.

Counselors Are Cornerstone Of Camp

Besides the array of popular activities offered, the summer day camp staff is largely responsible for the success of the program.

The counselors, all of whom are either just finishing high school or are in college, remain the cornerstone of the camp's appeal, to say the least.

"Most of the leaders we have are using this camp experience as a learning experience for themselves. A good number of them are majoring in some area at college that deals with this type of program, like physical education and recreation. It's as beneficial to the campers as it is to the counselors," remarked Kunasek.

Matthew Rolland Receives Degree From STCC

Matthew J. Rolland of 89 Hall Street, Feeding Hills, graduated from Springfield Technical Comunity College last month. He received an associate in Business Administration/Management.

Rolland received the "Edmond P. Garvey Award" which was presented to him by College President Andrew M. Scibelli at an honors convocation held at Springfield Symphony Hall.

The award, named in honor of former College President Edmond P. Garvey, is presented annually to two graduating seniors in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the college community.

Rolland was also named to "Who's Who" in American junior colleges.

He will attend American International College in the fall. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lionel J. Rolland.

PASSIVE RECREATION: Playing a game of "Stratego" at the Park & Recreation Department's Summer Camp are Marc Turgeon (left) and Kevin Ghareeb. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

ON A HOT, SUMMER DAY, physical activity sometimes is better replaced by sitting down for some "table competition." Here, at left, Michelle Lalancette, Laura Gendron; and at right - camp counselor Steve Young and Jennifer Coughlin, play Monopoly at the Shea's Field camp. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

4-H Fair To Be Held Saturday, July 28th At Eastern States Exposition Grounds

On Saturday, July 28th, the Hampden County 4-H Fair will be held in the Young Building (Cow Palace) on the Eastern State Grounds in West Springfield from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

On display will be projects that the members of the 4-H Club, ranging in age from 6 to 19, have worked on all through the year. These projects are judged and trophies and prizes will be awarded.

Canning, sewing, crocheting, needlepoint, flower arranging, grown vegetables and fruits, posters, art show, knitting, food, decorated cake, homemade crafts and agricultural mechanics are just some of the projects.

In the animal category, there will be beef, goats, dog, sheep and rabbits. The horse show will be held near the Avenue of the States' buildings.

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Letters To The EDITOR

Rev. Dunn Says Local Politicians "Had Their Day"

To The Editor:

Well, the politicians (local Town Councilors) had their day.

And now, knit more closely than ever, they have surveyed their achievements and are ready for the spoils. If ever a group of politicians said, "The Public be damned" this was the group. The councilors ignored quiet advice, some pleadings, newspaper stories, petitions from the people and whatever, even law suits (and may there be more of these to achieve a belated justice)... and now have come up as a body with a lot of glue to make them stick together.

And what do you suppose makes this stick as ONE? It wouldn't be the possibility of **new town personnel,** would it? Now that we have gotten rid of Ed Caba with the appointment of another townsman as manager, we can then tell him to clean house...wipe out all of Caba's appointments...get rid of those holding top positions so we can put our own people in...?

As a matter of fact, one of the new councilors wants his brother to become the next town treasurer. (No problem old boy, just wait a bit, because before very long, all the positions will have brand new executives in them).

Well, that's certainly a good reason for getting rid of Ed Caba even if we had to fictionalize some of the charges we brought against him. Well, let's wait and see how the scenario is to be developed.

Of course, we could be wrong about the above prophetic statement, but we have begun to hear it so much, there may be some truth to it.

Of course, letters like this and others may cause them (the Council) to change their master plan. I don't want to show disrespect for this august body who ought to have the confidence of the people, but do not. Some of this majority of "eight who voted to fire Ed Caba," I don't know and I don't want to know them.

There are two of the eight I had respect for through the years, but that respect is diminishing fast now and in a way I feel sorry because I was certain these two were **'Tried and True.'**

Well, we must change the town charter. That's a must. We must have less provisionary areas that will keep us from having referendums that will be to the point and will be understood by the persons we elect.

And there must be a recall procedure: the power of it for the people.

The kind that took a judge in Wisconsin out of office and from the Court because he mouthed false words (about a young woman on whom rape was unsuccessfully attempted, and this after the trial was all over).

Well, some good lawyers will help the town to make the charter a better instrument than it now is.

Some glory is not long lived and those who believe they have circumvented and "ripped off" the public and gotten away with it are due, in the long run, to find out that **"the chickens have a way of coming home to roost."**

There are enough citizens in this town who will not forget these past months and who will achieve in the days to come a meaningful government and a responsible body of councilors who will work with the people.

Frank E. Dunn
Feeding Hills

13-Year-Old Upset About Intersection

To The Editor:

This letter is a complaint to the Town of Agawam concerning the intersection at Mill and Poplar Streets. On the night of Monday, July 16th, one of my good friends (who shall remain nameless) was hit at that intersection.

He came out of it with only minor injuries and a couple of stitches. I know that from accidents in the past, some people have not been so fortunate. I think that to avoid this happening in the future, the Town of Agawam should put a stoplight there (and not just a blinking light).

The town has spent the time and the money on everything else to prevent accidents, so why can't they spend the time and the money to put a stoplight there? They really should because there have been too many accidents there.

Steve Kinsley
Age 13
54 Chapin Street
Feeding Hills

Mullaly Says This Is His Last Letter Over Manager Situation

To The Editor:

This will be my last letter in my discussion with Mrs. Mary T. Lyon-Longo. I think we both will have said all there is to say regarding the town manager situation.

I am not paranoid, so have not read into the lady's comments regarding a Mr. Finnegan's letter to her superior at the bank, objecting to her expression of opinion about town politics, any suggestion that I am involved in an attempt to affect her employment. I strongly oppose any pressure tactics of this sort. Mrs. Lyon-Longo has as much right as I do to speak her mind. I'm not acquainted with anyone named Finnegan, and do not approve of his tactics.

Mrs. Lyon-Longo is in error when she quotes me as "wanting a break." The quote was from an editorial voiced by the general manager of Channel 40. With reference to President Rheault's responsibility in ridding the town of three previous managers, I never suggested that he got them fired; each man (all out-of-towners) was harassed out of the job.

I can vividly recall the unbearable pressure Mr. Westman was forced to endure. Obviously, these men who were not original residents of the town reached the point where they decided the job was just not worth the hassle.

Mrs. Lyon-Longo sums up by saying the rest of my information was inaccurate. I have read and reread my editorial, and I cannot agree with the lady. Mrs. Lyon-Longo and I will continue to disagree on this problem; I have learned a long time ago that no one really changes anyone else's mind.

One last comment, entirely apart from the discussion. I shall quote from Valentine Moreno's response to Andrew Gallano. First, premit me to quote from Moreno's answer to Gallano. (This a direct quote): "He (Mr. Gallano) insists that Friendly's is a bad place to dine, sit, and relax. Perhaps half of Agawam at one time or another frequents Friendly's. I am happy to be one of them."

Please compare this statement with the words Gallano actually used in his editorial (also a direct quote): "Mr. Rolland ------ can usually be seen in the company of Valentine Moreno and his followers in his private booth and political business office at the local Friendly Restaurant where most of the conspiracies against public officials originate."

Dick Mullaly
Agawam

LEGAL NOTICE **LEGAL NOTICE**

AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on August 2, 1984, at 7:00 p.m., in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of Tofie A. George and Joseph T. Green, Jr., to rezone a parcel of land located at 219 South Street, Agawam, MA, the parcel containing approximately 20.22 acres, request to rezone from Agriculture to Residence A-2. Property being further bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on an easterly line of the parcel described, said point being 200.00 feet southerly of the southerly line of South Street: thence running S23-06-42W for a distance of 519.55 feet to a S70-48-39E for a distance of 327.62 feet to a point: thence running S21-34-12W for a distance of 1129.73 feet to a point at the southeast corner of the parcel described: thence running N45-16-38W for a distance of 217.86 feet to a point: thence running N65-45-38W for a distance of 443.00 feet to a point at the southwest corner of the parcel described: thence running N16-02-22E for a distance of 1048.72 feet to a point: thence running S75-58-48E for a distance of 140.34 feet to a point: thence running N23-44-02E for a distance of 565.78 feet to a point 200.00 feet southerly of the south line of South Street: thence running S48-21-18E (being parallel with and 200.00 feet south of South Street) for a distance of 287.01 feet to the point of beginning. The last four described courses being along the westerly and northerly boundaries of the described parcel are intended to abut the present Residence A-2 zone line that extends easterly of Cosgrove Street and southerly of South Street. The above described parcel contains 20.22 Acres.

BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD
Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman
Agawam Planning Board
Published: July 18, 1984

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT

Hampden Division **Docket No. 84P 0356 G1**
Estate of ORA C. BOURQUE
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NOTICE

A petition has been presented to said Court for leave to sell at private sale certain real estate of said ward, situated in said Agawam, for investment, and that the petitioner may become the purchaser of said real estate.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written apperance in said Court at Springfield, on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on August 21, 1984.

WITNESS, FRANK PLACZEK, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Springfield, the eighteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four.

John P. O'Brien
Register of Probate and Family Court
Published: July 26, 1984

LEGAL NOTICE **LEGAL NOTICE**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
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HAMPDEN Division **Docket No. 142770**
NOTICE OF FIDUCIARY'S ACCOUNT

To all persons interested in the estate of BLANCHE L. PEARSON, late of Agawam, in said County, deceased.

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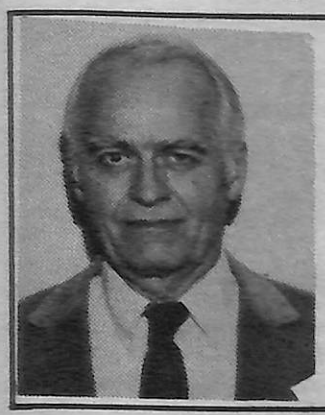

Psychologically Speaking

By William J. Osborn, Ph. D.
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The Darker Side Mass Murder

The papers have been full of the James Huberty mass murders this week. We are both shocked and sickly fascinated by such an event. We are also deeply puzzled. How could somebody do such a thing?

The newspapers sketch his history, looking for clues: "He was always very sad and very lonely." He lost his mother at an early age. He lost his house and a series of jobs. There are always some clues, but they don't satisfy our need to put the puzzle together and make sense out of it. Countless people have more devastating losses than James Huberty, and do not become mass killers. Countless kids lose their mother and their father or are severely abused - yet they do not become mass murderers. We have left troubled and maybe a little anxious.

Where does such violence come from? If this can happen in a McDonald's at San Ysidro, California, how safe am I at a McDonald's in Agawam? How can these terrible acts be prevented?

Who Is Capabe Of Violence?

The history of mankind certainly illustrates the violence of which humans are capable. The more recent memory of Nazi Germany, Vietnam, and the assassinations and riots of the 60s are with us all.

Yet, we tend to place this organized, more sensational violence at a distance from us personally. It is hard for us to believe that we, or our family and friends, could be capable of violence. This is why we are so deeply shocked when someone close to us commits suicide - which is an act of violence toward the self - or when our child tells us that he or she wishes we were dead.

We may be even more troubled when we find violence creeping into our own personal experience - either through fleeting thoughts of hurting others, bloody dreams of violence or sudden losses of control when we say or do something which hurts others.

Original Sin?

Freud taught that the two fundamental forces which we struggle to control and channel are sex and aggression. His studies of our "darker side" have been upsetting to many. We do not want to recognize hate or lust in ourselves.

But, whether we call it "original sin" or primitive animal instincts which are part of our evolutionary heritage - the inescapable fact is that if we ignore this side of human nature, in ourselves, in others, or in the behavior of groups and nations, we are courting tragedy.

Prevention

How does this relate to preventing a James Huberty incident of other acts of violence which are reported daily? Without becoming morbid or obsessively preoccupied with these events, it is important that we do not "look the other way" and pretend that we are not involved.

Recognizing that the potential for violence is always there, in ourselves and others, we must do what we can to help avoid tragedies. Who knows, for instance, what the outcome might have been if Huberty's wife had called the police when he left the house saying he was "going to hunt humans." What if she, or others around him, had acted upon his earlier suicidal attempt and delusional thinking, getting him the mental health treatment which he obviously needed?

Of course, it's always easy to look back and see what we should have done. But some of us have a tendency to deny the angry parts of ourselves and to not want to see them in others - resulting in a kind of blind spot when it comes to potential violence and a failure to recognize when friends or family members or we ourselves are struggling with more angry, destructive feelings than can be safely handled without help.

Our Day To Day, Little Acts Of Violence

On a more mundane level, we often need reminding - and life often does it for us - that we have a darker side which hurts others, as well as ourselves, in the day to day unkindnesses which seem to come from nowhere. We don't mean to hurt others - but we do. This does not mean we are bad - only that we are human.

Recognition of this side of ourselves is the beginning of true humility and the ability to help ourselves and others to bring less violence and pain to this world.

OUR HEALTH PAGE IS A REGULAR FEATURE OF THE **Advertiser News**

YOUR BACK & YOUR HEALTH

by Dr. Joseph & Dr. Katherine Schlaffer
Chiropractors

Ask the average businessman about what he does to keep in condition, and you'll get an answer something like this. "Oh I get plenty of exercise. I play golf at least twice a week."

As he says the word "exercise," you notice that his paunch is popping over his pants, and he's out of breath just from showing you his two-over par stroke.

The fact is the way many people play the game of golf, it can be more destructive rather than beneficial to their health.

Before all the golf enthusiasts get up in arms about their beloved sport, let me explain. Golf is one of the most popular sports in America. I even play the game myself on occasion. Years ago this sport entailed a great deal of walking, including the carrying of a heavy bag for a full 18 holes. Today, a large percentage of the players ride the full length and breadth of the course on a goltcart, do a great deal of talking and betting, which is followed by a full course of heavy drinking and eating on the 19th hole. This develops the paunch.

Do you know that a fairly large percentage of golfers also suffer from back problems. The reason for this is really quite simple. Driving a golfball off the tee, down a long fairway requires a lot of physical effort. So does a long iron shot. The problem is that you continually swing the club the same way, time after time after time. You have to! You are either right or left handed. So when you repeatedly swing that club, perhaps thousands of times each season, you are also twisting your spine and all the muscles that go with it, in the same direction over and over again. Don't think that this doesn't create an imbalance in muscles. Don't think that vertebra in your spine aren't going to suffer too. They can become misaligned (subluxated) and effect the function of delicate nerves. I have enough golfers as patients to know that this is a fact.

So what can you do about it? Start thinking about some other forms of exercise that will be beneficial to your spine like swimming or bicycle riding. And if you really love the game of golf, a spinal examination by a doctor of chiropractic is in order. Perhaps a problem is developing and it can be corrected. This may save you the crisis of an emergency visit for treatment at some future time.

NOBLE HOSPITAL NOTES

Noble Hospital, through its Inservice Education Department, regularly offers contact hour educational programs for Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical Nurses; those on its nursing staff, and nurses from the area. Now, according to Health Education Coordinator Joseph Barako, R.N., Noble is giving thought to increasing its programs to include other health professionals, such as pharmacists, laboratory personnel, respiratory therapists, and physical therapists.

But first, according to Mr. Baraka, the Inservice Education Department must have an expression of interest from health professionals in this area indicating they would participate in such programs. Mr. Barako emphasizes that program content would be geared to the interests of the participants, and the cost will be modest.

Those who would like to be made aware of the programs as they are developed are requested to write to Mr. Barako in care of Noble Hospital, 115 West Silver Street, Westfield, MA 01086. Their names will be placed on a mailing list that is being developed and they will receive program materials. Those who do write us are requested to include their name, their professional designation and their address.

Mr. Barako points out that the new Noble Hospital program has importance for health professionals "because health care is a field of ever-increasing complexity and challenge and requires that we remain abreast of the changes that are taking place."

The subject matter planned for the series will include topics of interest for people in acute care settings, chronic or long-term care facilities, home care, as well as pharmaceutical and industrial settings. If the response is as expected, the program will start in mid-September of this year, and will continue until June of 1985. The schedule will include a variety of time slots; days, evenings, Saturdays; hours that are compatible with the work schedules of the participants.

Speaking Of Contact Hours

Our Inservice Education Department suggests that Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical Nurses may wish to clip and save the following information for their own future reference, and to answer the questions of family members and friends. The subject: Continuing Education Requirements.

Registered Nurses: For relicensure in 1984, it will be necessary to demonstrate completion of 10 contact hours from the 1982 birthdate. The 1986 licensure requirement is 15 contact hours.

Licensed Practical Nurses: For relicensure in 1985, the requirement is 10 contact hours earned from the 1983 birthdate to the 1985 birthdate. The 1989 relicensure requirement is 15 contact hours.

Registered Nurses renew their licensure on even years, the Licensed Practical Nurses on odd years; for both, relicensure is requried every other year.

High Protein Diets Put Stress On Kidneys

Myth or fact? Eating foods high in protein, such as meat, eggs and cheese, will keep our bodies strong and healthy.

While the public may believe that high protein diets are healthy, researchers at Baystate Medical Center believe that they actually stress the kidneys. A low protein diet, they believe, can actually slow down or stop kidney disease.

This may be of tremendous help to juvenile onset diabetes, 40 percent of whom now require dialysis or kidney transplants to treat kidney disease.

A study of that hypothesis is now underway in the Renal Unit at Baystate Medical Center, directed by Dr. Michael J. Germain, staff nephrologist, and funded by a grant from the American Kidney Fund. The prospective, randomized study is designed to test whether a low protein, essential amino acid supplemented diet will slow down or stop the progression of kidney insufficiency that predictably occurs in many insulin-dependent diabetics.

Measuring Kidney Function

One of the unique aspects of the study, according to Germain, is that Baystate Medical Center is one of a very few medical facilities which can make a very precise measurement of kidney function through a test known as "glofil clearance." Performed every three months on study participants, test results permit the researchers to actually see the results of a special low protein diet on diabetics who have developing kidney disease.

"This is particularly significant since a diabetic whose kidney function is impaired almost always requires dialysis or kidney transplant within a mere one to two years," Germain explained. "Without these treatments, death is inevitable."

Candidates for the Baystate Medical Center study are fairly young - mid-twenties to late thirties - he said, since the 40 percent of juvenile-onset diabetics who will develop kidney disease do so within about 20 years of becoming diabetic.

Amino Acid Supplements

The study assigns patients randomly to either a standard diet for diabetics or the special low protein diet, supplemented with essential amino acids in tablet form, known as "Aminess." These tablets provide all the essential amino acids (building blocks of proteins required for normal body functioning) required on a daily basis for adequate nutrition.

All the study participants keep daily journals of the foods they eat, and are followed closely by Baystate's Judith Mains, R.D., a clinical dietitian and renal specialist.

"A low protein diet isn't easy for most patients," Germain warned. "Eating only small quantities of certain foods is very restrictive."

Preliminary results, however, are encouraging. After only a few months on the supplemented low protein diet, some patients' kidney function declines have been stabilized. Study participants on the standard diet show only further decline.

Germain, along with fellow researchers Drs. John P. Fitzgibbons and Gregory L. Braden and technologist Walter J. Stupak, is not surprised.

Stress On The Kidney

"Actually, as far back as 1920 a Dr. Addais announced to the world that protein put a stress on the kidney," Germain said. "Until now, though, low protein diets were used in kidney disease to treat symptoms, rather than to preserve function."

"I find it interesting that the main reason so many animals die prematurely in zoos today is kidney disease. They are fed high protein meals on a daily basis, rather than 'making a kill' every several days as they would in the wild," Germain related.

"It could very well be that these animals are suffering from kidney failure because their frequent high protein meals are placing too much stress on their kidneys. And if that's so with them, why not with humans, too?"

Additional patients are needed for the study, Germain said, and interested diabetic patients with moderate kidney insufficiency should contact the Renal Unit at Baystate Medical Center or their personal physician for referral.

Arts

PHILM REVIEW

By Phil Benoit
Entertainment Writer

The Neverending Story: An Ambitious Kid's Fantasy That Misses The Mark

Since there are few films made for children these days, it's easy to praise such pictures when they do come along. But in the case of a fantasy titled *The Neverending Story*, its suitability for younger moviegoers is overshadowed by weak direction and one of the worst performances of the year.

The Neverending Story begins by dealing with the problems of a 10-year-old boy named Bastian (Barret Oliver). Not only has he recently lost his mother, but his father (Gerald McRaney) wants him to accept her death like a man and to start improving the quality of his schoolwork.

Morning Takes Turn for The Better

As if his dad's insensitivity wasn't enough of a burden, Bastian encounters three bullies on his way to school, and these ruffians end up throwing him in a garbage-filled dumpster. However, Bastian's morning takes a turn for the better when he enters a secondhand bookstore and borrows a fantasy novel from the shop's gruff yet benevolent owner.

Because he's anxious to start his new book, the boy decides to avoid being late for his first class and hides in his school's dusty attic. But as he gets further into the novel, Bastian loses track of time and learns that he is to play an important role in the outcome of the book.

The Neverending Story is an ambitious film with a great plot. Besides beginning with the intriguing concept of a person actually becoming part of the book he's reading, it presents an equally interesting journey into an imaginary world.

When Bastian starts his novel, we're introduced to Fantasia, a land which contains beings such as a giant rock creature, a king-size snail that moves quicker than you might think, and a large bat that likes to doze off. Fortunately, the impressive special effects and makeup enable us to believe in Fantasia and its inhabitants.

What's more, *The Neverending Story* gives children a serious theme to consider. In Bastian's book, Fantasia is about to be destroyed by an evil force called Nothing, and the only way it can be saved is if a young hero named Atreyu can find a cure for Fantasia's ailing Empress. But Atreyu's quest is continually hampered by obstacles which test his character, such as a passageway that will kill anyone who lacks self-confidence. When it comes to conveying the idea that true strength comes from within a person, there are few pictures which can do it as well as this one.

The movie's good points, however, don't make as much of an impact as its flaws do. *The Neverending Story* fails to truly come alive as an adventure because director Wolfgang Petersen (*Das Boot)* never develops the plot and the characters' potential to the fullest. With the exception of Atreyu and a friendly dragon named Falkor, the mythological denizens of Fantasia don't do anything but make cameo appearances and provide atmosphere. For that matter, Bastian himself doesn't do much until the end of the film, and at this point his contribution to the story seems anticlimactic.

But the main problem with this picture is the performance of Noah Hathaway in the role of Atreyu. As a little boy, Hathaway portrayed Lorne Greene's adopted grandson on TV's *Battlestar Galactica*, and his cutesy behavior and mugging at the camera were in line with the bottom-of-the-barrel acting that was evident on most of this series' episodes. Now an adolescent, this young actor proves that talent doesn't necessarily come with age.

Hathaway One Of Worst Actors Of 1984

If it wasn't for Sylvester Stallone's unforgivable performance in *Rhinestone*, Hathaway would get my vote for Worst Actor of 1984. He makes Atreyu the wimpiest, whiniest, and least likable hero I've ever seen, and I found myself laughing during every one of his scenes. After seeing how Atreyu reacted to dangerous situations, I think I showed more backbone when I was a five-year-old attending my first day of kindergarten.

If you have kids and they've already seen *The Muppets Take Manhattan*, then take them to see *The Neverending Story*. But if you decide to see this movie with them, don't be surprised if you find yourself growing restless because only children - who happen to the be least discerning of all filmgoers - will be able to thoroughly enjoy the good things and ignore the bad things that transpire on the screen.

Rating: 1½ STARS (On a scale of 0-4 stars)

PHILM CAPSULE:

Best Defense: **0 STARS** - Dudley Moore and Eddie Murphy star in this loud, obnoxious, and totally unfunny comedy about a sophisticated tank that goes haywire because of faulty equipment. Murphy tries to make the most out of his material, but Moore sleepwalks through his role as though he couldn't care less. *Best Defense* is a picture that will definitely disappoint fans of both of these comic actors. (Profantiy and adult situations make this R-rated movie suitable for people 17 years of age and up.)

Antique Quilt Exhibit & Sale At Storrowton Village Sunday

Antique quilts, more than 200-years old, will be among those on display at the 1984 Storrowton Village Antique Quilt Sale and Exhibit, Sunday, July 29th, at Storrowton Village, West Springfield.

Dealers will be selling more than 150 antique quilts in the Village sheds. For quilt owners who want to find out the value of their quilts, a qualified appraiser from Keepsake Quilts in Lenox will be present to make appraisals for a reasonable fee.

According to Village Director June Cook, a quilt is considered an antique if it is more than 50 years old.

Approximately 40 antique quilts (not for sale) will be exhibited in the Village's Red Barn. These will include quilts from the Village's collection, some of which are more than 200 years old. Judith Grintz of Keepsake Quilts will be on hand to talk about these quilts and antique quilt collecting.

By studying the quilts on exhibit, visitors can learn about the history of the textile industry, the technology of the periods represented at the exhibit, and the personalities, lifestyles, and tastes of the people who make the quilts.

"There's so much to be learned about people by studying antique quilts," remarked Cook, emphasizing the importance of quilts as historical artifacts.

Sandwiches, hot dogs, cheese and fruit plates, baked beans, brownies, New England wines, cider, ginger beer, and other beverages will be served in the Phillips Wine Garden behind the Gift Shop. Both the Gift Shop and the General Store, which is located in the Potter mansion, will be open.

The event, which is co-sponsored by Storrowton Village and Keepsake Quilts, will run from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Parking and admission are free.

To apply for dealer space or to exhibit a quilt in the Red Barn, contact June Cook at (413) 787-0136.

Comm.Band Slates Final Concert

The Agawam Community Band will play their final concert for the summer at the Storrowton Green on Tuesday evening, July 31st at 7:30 p.m.

As in past years, rehearsals have been held during June and concerts have been held at the Heritage Hall Nursing Home. Membership in the group has numbered between 30 and 40 with a varied repertoire of standard tunes and marches.

The public is invited and may bring their own lawn chairs to the Storrowton Green for the concert program.

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CLUE: The center of this puzzle has a number of contrived words. Be careful and try to enjoy.

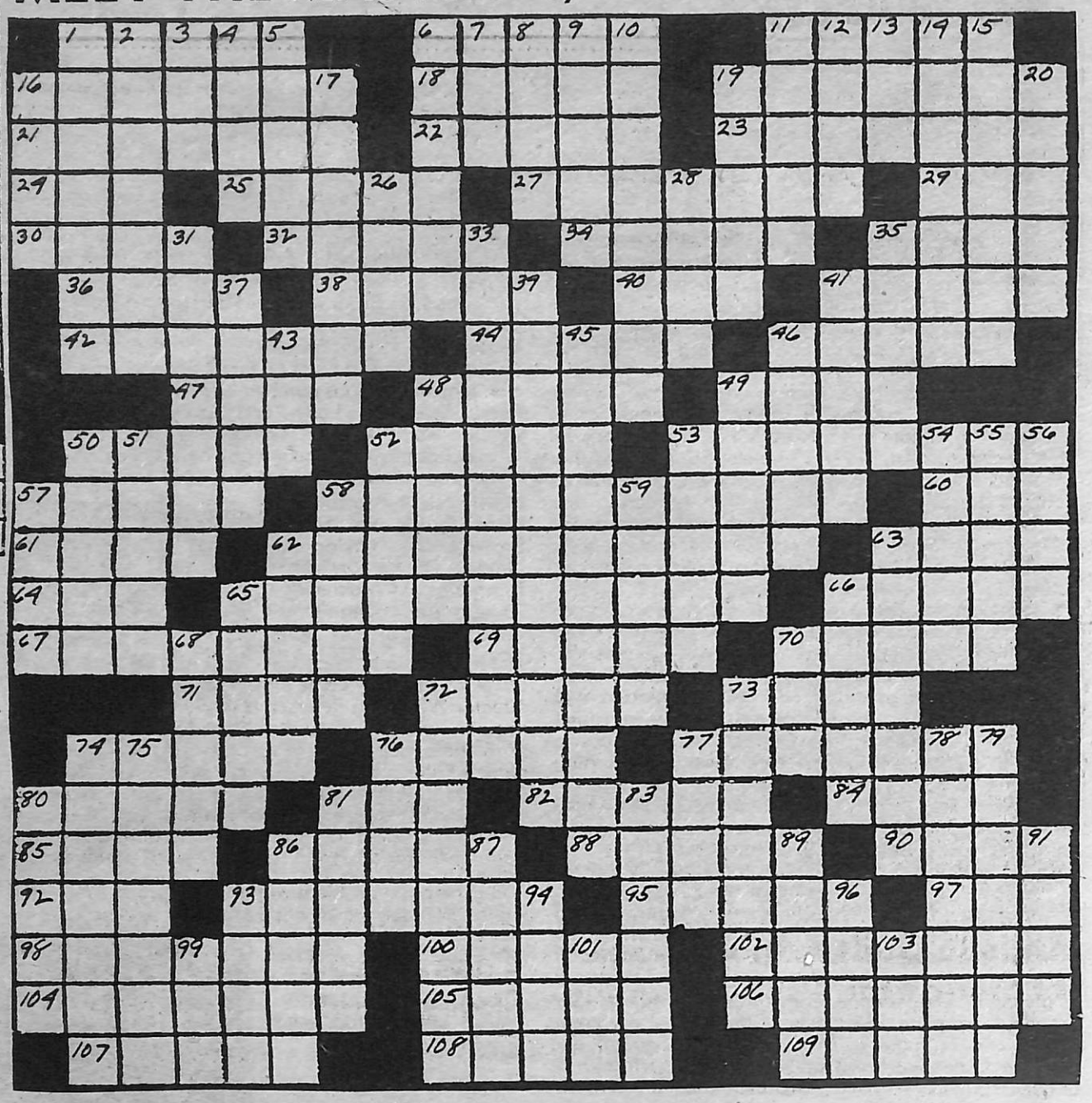
ACROSS

1. Kind of dive
5. Halley or Kohoutek
11. Liver or brat
16. Cartoonist Gould
18. Mennonite
19. Marx bros. movie title
21. Breathe
22. Health in Lyons
23. "— — — secret"
24. Crafts partner
25. Kind of button
27. Cooking utensils
29. Road map abbr.
30. School subj.
32. Scatter
34. Gulps
35. British automatic weapon
36. Lake or canal
38. No decision
40. Suffix
41. Suffix: agents
42. Parts of two-way radios
44. Tanned
46. G.I.s peel these
47. "I — get started with you"
48. Certain rays
49. Make comatose
50. Minute particles
52. Mark of ommission
53. Making one aware of danger
57. Certain exams
58. Diluted
60. Canadian Indian
61. Actor Bruce
62. Aquacades
63. Sunup
64. French summer
65. Beavers or muskrats
66. Regulus
67. Renovater
69. Indebted ones
70. Has feeling for
71. State
72. Pickling solution
73. Dray
74. Handles problems
76. Contraction for it is not
77. Agusta golfing event
80. Poe's bird
81. Large tub
82. Moray fisherman
84. Prefix - Mars
85. Minerals
86. Scots
88. Reposes
90. Pig food
92. Needlefish
93. Hurries
95. PGA's Calvin
97. Anecdotes
98. Deceitful
100. Singer Della
102. Descendants of Levi
104. Squeals on
105. Title bestower?
106. Sowers
107. Cozy abodes
108. Short playlets
109. Urges

DOWN

1. Sweethearts: Fr.
2. Bring back to life?
3. Cleo's killer
4. Roil
5. — to you
6. Cruet
7. Suffix: Tumor
8. Kind of coat
9. Colorado park
10. Castor and Gemini
11. Water motions
12. French ones
13. — time music
14. Grunted
15. Rag scraps
16. Kind of grass
17. Commence over
19. Ships part
20. Composer Camile St.
26. Herds in Soho?
28. — Tim
31. Honest Abe
33. Mis-read meters?
35. Performance
37. Certain cheeses
39. Eucharist miracle
41. Reject
43. Printing measures
45. Old Faithful?
46. Meat and vegetable dishes
48. Restrainer
49. Vegas machines
50. Mountain crest
51. Weight allowances
52. Purvey food
53. Hebrew months
54. Angry
55. Salamanders
56. Actor Wilder
57. German river
58. Puzzle theme
59. Farming machine pioneer
62. Salesmens goods
63. Kind of snail
65. Meshed
66. Actress Toren
68. Recording spools
70. En tout —
72. Herons
73. Industrial groups
74. Safari
75. Gorged ones-self
76. Poise
77. Greek musical term
78. Akin
79. Oklahomans
80. Thesaurus man
81. Clamps
83. Untouchables
86. Covers - as a road
87. Kind of attack
89. Perpendicular
91. Mountain gap
93. Sword handle
94. Kind of trailer
96. Eternal
99. Streets: abbr.
101. Point — and match
103. Altar responses

MEET THE MASTER - by Dick Mastroianni



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Chuck Mangione To Appear At Westfield's Stanley Park

Grammy-award wining jazz trumpeter Chuck Mangione and his Chuck Mangione Quartet will be appearing at Westfield's Stanley Park on Tuesday, August 7th, at 7:30 p.m. This special presentation, produced by the Springfield Symphony Summer Pops at Stanley Park, concludes the second season of outdoor performances under the auspices of the Orchestra Association.

Chuck Mangione, a perennial favorite of audiences worldwide, is a musician of vast and diverse talents. Mangione was raised in an environment that stressed musical expression and included the personal input of family "friend" Dizzy Gillespie. Upon graduation from the Eastman School of Music, Mangione went on to form various jazz groups and to record for such national labels as Mercury and A&M records.

Although receiving a number of Grammy nominations for his impressive array of compositions throughout the late 60s and early 70s, it was not until his fourth album, 1977's "Feels So Good," that Mangione was able to enjoy a commercial as well as critical success.

Mangione went on to compose and perform the theme music of the 1980 Winter Olympics, "Give It All You Got," for which he received an Emmy award and several more Grammy nominations.

Mangione's success as a prolific composer is comparable only to the excitement he generates in live performance. Mangione has performed extensively throughout the world, captivating audiences with his exuberant brand of music and charm. Working with major symphony orchestras as well as his own highly polished Chuck Mangione Quartet, he continues to grow as a major talent and entertainer. Mangione is currently recording for CBS records.

Tickets for Chuck Mangione and the Chuck Mangione Quartet (general admission seating ($8.50) and low admissions ($5.00); children and senior citizens half-price) are available at all DATATIX locations (Stop and Shop Springdale Mall, Boston Road, Springfield, Holyoke, Northampton, Hadley, Greenfield, Pittsfield, Platterpus Records in Westfield, the University of Massachusetts Fine Arts Center Box Office in Amherst, and 179 Allyn Street, Hartford), Westfield Chamber of Commerce, Stanhome, Springfield Symphony Orchestra Office (31 Elm Street, Suite 210, Springfield, Mass. on Court Square) and Stanley Park (beginning at 12 noon on performance day). PHONECHARGE: 1-800-243-4842. (In Connecticut: 1-203-549-2622).

Guys & Dolls To Be Staged by HCC Players At Forest Park

Guys And Dolls, a Broadway musical fable will be presented by the Holyoke Community College Theatre Department on Sunday, July 29th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Barney Amphitheatre in Forest Park. This free, outdoor production is part of "Sundays in the Park," a performing arts series sponsored by the Springfield Mayor's Office for Cultural and Community Affairs.

Under the direction of Leslie Phillips, *Guys and Dolls* is based on a story by Damon Runyan. It is a popular fable about gamblers and gangsters in New York City and the women who take them from their roulette tables to the marriage altar. *Guys and Dolls* was first performed on Broadway in 1950 starring Robert Alda and became a motion picture in 1955 with Frank Sinatra and Marlon Brando.

With music and lyrics by Frank Loesser, the production features famous numbers such as "A Bushel and a Peck," "Luck Be a Lady," and "Sit Down, You're Rocking the Boat." Music is under the direction of Dan Oberholtzer, with choreography by Bill Taylor.

The cast of 30 includes Rick O'Neil of Springfield as Nicely-Nicely Johnson, Kate Quirk as Sarah Brown, Bill Taylor as Nathan Detroit and Phil Prather as Sky Masterson. This is the college's second appearance in "Sundays in the Park." Last year, the group performed *Damn Yankees.*

Theatre-goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets to the Amphitheatre. The seating will be Tanglewood-style and picnickers are welcome.

The remaining performances of "Sundays in the Park" series include *Ten by 6* on August 5th. The August 12th performance will be announced at a later date.

Ambassadors Brass Band Set To Peform In Agawam

All is ready for the concert by the Young Ambassadors Brass Band from Great Britain this Friday, July 27th at 8:00 p.m. in the Agawam Junior High School Auditorium.

There is no admission fee for the program which is being sponsored by the Agawam Council for Arts and Humanities. Donations will be accepted at the door to aid the group in their very large transportation expense while on tour of the eastern United States during the past two weeks.

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Desi's Place Prepares For New Englands

For the first time in recent memory Western Mass. will be represented in the women's New England Slo Pitch regional tournament. Desi's Place, an Agawam Slo-Pitch Division A softball team in the Agawam Women's Softball League, returned home from the state tournament held in Greenfield on July 6th-8th as the number two ranked team in Massachusetts.

During the state tournament, explained coach Peter Martinelli, Desi's was cheered on by the local crowd who wanted a Western Mass. team to capture a slot that is usually occupied by eastern Mass teams year-after-year.

Desi's roster consists of many former Agawam High School athletes who will journey to Providence, Rhode Island, August 17th-19th, to compete against the best teams in New England.

The squad's first game is against one of the tournament's favorites, the number one ranked team in Rhode Island.

"I feel very comfortable playing one of the favorites right up front," explained Martinelli. "I want to let everyone know right away who we are and where we come from."

The top three teams emerging from the New England tournament will travel to Midland, Texas, to compete in the nationals held August 31st to September 2nd.

Team members are presently visiting local businesses in an attempt to help defer the costs of attending the regional tournament in August.

Brownies' Basketball Camp Set For This Weekend

The first Annual Brownies' Basketball Camp, to be held this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, July 28th-29th, at Agawam High School, will accept registrations right up until the camp opens on Saturday morning.

Coaches Peter "Killer" Kowalski and Cindy Grieve (AHS varsity boys' and girls coaches, respectively), are running the two-day clinic for boys and girls, grades 6-12. A $30 fee is required.

For more information, contact Kowalski at 732-2557 or 739-9196.

MEMBERS OF DESI'S PLACE, who compete in the Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch League, will be traveling to the New England Championships next month. Team members are, back row, from left - Coach Peter Martinello, Linda Carol, Judy Driscoll, "little Peter" and assistant Coach Dave Trehey. Third row - Cathy Ashe, Debbie Chetham, Diane Peters, Donna Martinello, and Toni Trehey. Second row - Tina Barrington, Anne Carrol, Reanne Burke, Janet Dalmolin, and Mimi Gleason. Front row - Laurie O'Connell and Shari Baldarelli.

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Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch...

Supreme Court, & Elbow Grab Key Slo-Pitch Wins

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Writer

Supreme Court, the dominant women's Division B slo-pitch team, clinched first place in the Agawam Women's League Tuesday night. But the road to claiming the regular season title was very rocky as the **Bad News Bears** gave Supreme all it could handle in a wild, 17-15 contest.

With only one game remaining on their schedule, (**Southworth Paper Company** on Thursday, July 26th), Supreme Court has mathematically claimed the title. The team, coached by Ed Beaudry, owns an impressive 19-3 mark.

Supreme relief pitcher Sue Gagne, who entered in the third frame, stole the show with an impressive performance. She came in facing a bases loaded, no outs situation and only allowed one run to score. The winners were ahead, 9-6, at that time and this was definitely a major reason why its was bad news for the Bears.

Defensive standouts included Jean Kelley (2B) and Lisa Fenton (SS) for Supreme. In the offensive category, Beaudry said the entire squad contributed.

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Elbow Lounge played another tough one for the second time in as many weeks vs. second place **Sliech Auto Body** in Division B on Tuesday night, July 24th. Elbow elbowed its way to a solid, 12-7 win over the 16-6 Sliech side.

That win, combined with a 19-8 thrashing of **Springfield Turners** on Thursday, July 19th, upped Elbow's record to 13-9-1, good for third place.

The teams were deadlocked at 7-7 when Elbow laid the mallet to Sliech Auto in the sixth and seventh frames. The winners chained five runs over those two innings and that was that for Sliech.

Red-hot at the plate for Elbow were Eileen Ritchotte, who went a perfect 4-4 including two RBI's, and left-fielder Anne Marie Perry, who scored two runs to add to a 4-5 night at the plate. First baseman Doreen Caroleo collected an RBI while rapping out three safeties. She also scored twice.

In the defensive department, a fifth inning double play, initiated by the heads-up play of Caroleo, gave Elbow the much needed momentum going into the crunch time innings.

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WOMEN'S SOFTBALL - From Page 25...

"We seem to play better against the top teams. It's the middle of the pack teams we have trouble with," observed Elbow coach Joe Lombardi.

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In women's Division A action, **Village Lounge** remained in third place with a late inning, 7-0 whitewashing over **Curran Jones** on Monday evening, July 23rd.

The game was scoreless until the sixth when player/coach Joan Brodeur ignited the Village offense with a basehit. Eight batters were sent to the plate in the tell-tale frame. Village scored six times before the smoke cleared. They picked up their final run in the seventh frame.

Denise Cardona, in her debut on the mound, recored the shutout. Backing her up in the field were Leslie Clark Plante and Marcia Barker. Village upped its record to 14-6 while Curran Jones fell to 5-16.

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Southgate Bogey's of Division A shutdown the **Polish Club** in easy, 10-0 fashion on Monday, July 23rd, behind the homerun power of Joan Chambers and Kathy Wilson. Bogey's needed the win to keep some playoff hopes alive. They are now in fifth place with a 12-6 mark.

Linda Anderson was swinging well with a two-RBI night for the winners. Pitcher Kathy Lagrange and left centerfielder Chris Leone sparkled in the field.

Youth Wrestling Clinic To Be Held At Turnverein

The Springfield Turnverein has generously offered the use of their gym on Garden Street, Feeding Hills, for a youth wrestling clinic.

Instruction and practice of wrestling moves will be supervised by Agawam High School wrestling alumni. There will also be guidance in body building and weight lifting.

The clinic will be held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. beginning Monday, July 30th through August 31st.

Any middle school, junior high or high school student or graduate is welcome. This is a free clinic. For further information contact Ron Wieners, 786-6633.

Agawam Women's Softball League

(As Of July 15th)

"A" Division	W	L	T	PTS
Buccaneer Gold	14	4	1	29
Desi's Place 1	13	4	0	26
Village Lounge	13	6	0	26
Southgate Bogeys	12	6	1	25
Buccaneer Red	12	6	0	24
Curran and Jones	5	15	0	10
Agawam Polish Club	2	15	0	4
Desi's Place 2	2	17	0	4
"B" Division				
Supreme Courts	18	2	0	36
Sliech Auto Body	16	5	1	33
Southworth Paper	11	8	1	23
Elbow Lounge	10	9	1	21
Building 451	9	13	1	19
Springfield Turners	8	11	1	17
Bad News Bears	7	13	1	15
Kellehers Tavern	2	20	0	4

13-15 Suburban Softball Team Wins Seventh In A Row

Agawam AA Suburban Girls won their seventh in a row going into the last week of the season by an 8-7 score over Ludlow in extra innings.

At presstime, the last week's games of July 23rd and 24th will decide if there will be a one-game playoff vs. Wilbraham on Thursday, July 26th, for the league championships at Longmeadow High School field.

Lisa Waniewski scattered 10 hits to prevail over a talented Ludlow team and caught a third out line drive with a runner on third to end the game. Lisa reached base four times via two walks, a single and a fielder's choice. She scored three times to help her own cause.

Backing up Lisa defensively were two double play situations, one by Amy Vacirca, catcher to Chris Desilets, first baseman; and an unassisted doubled play, line drive catch by Gina Serra to force the runner at second. Steady defensive play at the right time was contributed by Trish Landry, Linda Porowski, and Chris Desliets aided the team.

A two-run triple by Donna Albano sparked the offense which saw Trish Landry, Lynne Waryasz, Gina Serra, Linda Porowski, and Chris Desilets also contributing hits.

A well-placed bunt by Laurie Lacerte in the first inning with Trish Landry on first forced a throwing error which saw the two A.A. speedsters both scoring to get the first two runs of the game. The locals never trailed after this start.

Agawam Men's Softball League

(As Of July 22nd)

"A" Division	W	L	T	PTS
Walls Sport Shop	15	2	1	31
Dick Joseph	14	1	0	28
Village Lounge	12	7	1	25
Buccaneer Lounge	12	6	0	24
Showcase Int	7	10	0	14
Tri County/Scoreboard	6	10	1	13
Tavern Inn	6	12	1	13
Dante Club	4	13	0	8
Dairy Island	1	16	2	4
"B" National				
Tavern Inn	19	4	1	39
Gino's Package	18	6	1	37
Desi's Place	18	4	0	36
Agawam Moose 1	15	6	1	31
Broadleaf Auto	13	7	2	28
Antonio's Pizza	12	9	0	24
Valenti Pizza	9	12	0	18
Grimaldi Oilers	8	14	1	17
Pond/Ekberg	8	14	0	16
Elbow Lounge	5	16	2	12
Agawam Moose 2	3	18	1	7
River Road Dairy	2	19	1	5
"B" American				
Peter Pan Bus	17	6	0	34
Jessica's Lounge	16	5	0	32
Carousel Furniture	16	5	0	32
Abbett Tax Service	15	7	0	30
Buccaneer Lounge	11	9	0	22
Bogey's	11	10	0	22
Willard Remodeling	9	13	0	18
Daga Printing	8	14	0	16
Italian Sporting Club	4	17	0	8
Farm Credit Bank	1	21	0	2

Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch...

Walls Sports Drops Dick Joseph, 13-9

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Writer

First place **Walls Sports Shop** exploded for five first inning runs to hand second place **Dick Joseph** a tense, 13-9, setback in Division A action in the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball League on Tuesday night, July 24th.

Walls Sports now stands at 17-3-1 at presstime, good for 35 points, while Dick Joseph, suffering just its second loss of the season, dipped to 14-2, good for 28 points. Dick Joseph's has five games in hand over Wall's, so the race for the frontrunner's seat is still far from over.

Dick Joseph closed to within two runs in the fourth when they were down, 7-5. A last ditch effort in the bottom of the seventh with two outs, sparked by second baseman Mike Carter's three-run homer, gave Walls a momentary scare (13-9). A line drive out to first ended Dick's rally four runs short.

Walls' right centerfielder Georgie David cracked a three-shot blast on a one-hopper off the rightfielder's glove on the hard Shea's Field grass. Teammates Mike Ross (LF) and Bob Peloquin (3B) added RBI singles in the first to push Walls into a commanding, 5-0 advantage.

The defensive play of Walls accounted for a quick stop sign to several threats by Dick's. The winners retired Dick's in order in the first, fourth, and fifth frames. Dick Joseph did have its opportunities, however. They stranded runners in the first, sixth (2) and seventh.

Winning pitcher for Walls was player/coach Dick Stepanian, while player/coach Len Brusso suffered the loss for Dick's.

Other offensive noise-makers were first baseman Mark Cannaglo and rightfielder Sean Pierce. Pierce played superbly in the field.

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Division A **Buccaneer Lounge** just escaped past cellar-dweller **Tri-County Sales/Scoreboard**, 2-0, also on Tuesday night at Shea's Field.

Coach Gary "Moose" Eggleston's squad upped its record to 13-6, while Tri County dropped to 6-11-1.

The first two innings were scoreless until the third when Buc's rightfielder Billy Wysocki clocked a deep sacrifice fly to right, scoring a run.

An unassisted put-out at third and a bullet by third baseman Fran O'Brien closed out the fourth inning with a most timely double play, but not before Ken Grzywacz' shot sent the second and insurance run across the plate to end the game's low scoring output. scoring output.

Tri-County bats went stale whenever they had runners in scoring position. They could muster only two hits against Eggleston's spinning moonballs after the winners took a two-run lead.

Defensively, the play of the night goes to Tri-County's second baseman, Mike Fiala. He made a spectacular, diving catch to snare a shot by Mark O'Connor in the fifth. Fiala was completely outstretched when he made the grab.

Buccaneer missed a golden opportunity to put Tri-County completely out of it in the top of the seventh as they left runners stranded. O'Connor and Mike Keavaney slipped to successive singles with two out, but had no offensive backup to scoot them home.

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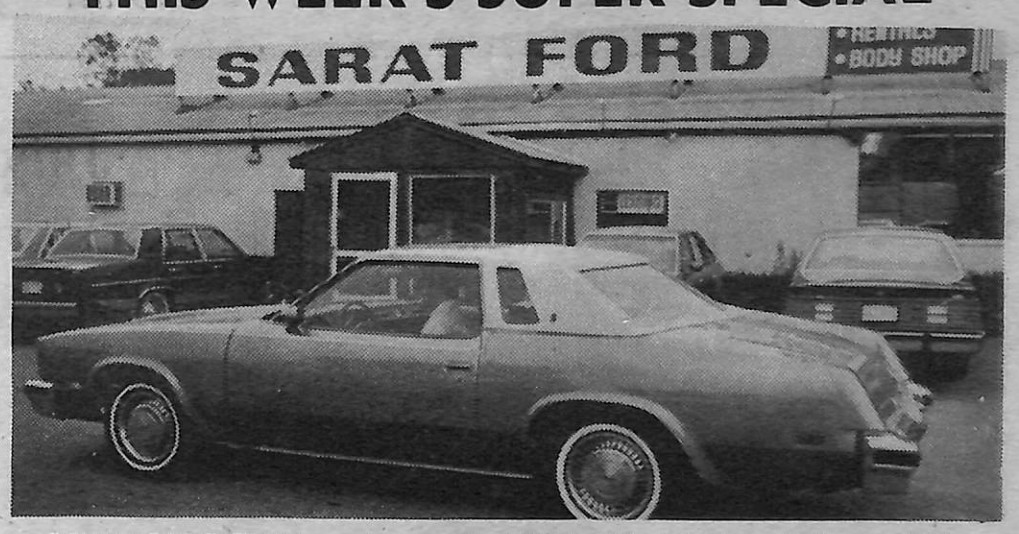

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THE 100 YOUNG SOCCER PLAYERS, their nine instructors, and Agawam Soccer Association president, Dave Poggi (back row, far right) all could be found at the Polish American Club last week as part of a summer camp sponsored by the ASA. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Soccer Assn. Conducts First Summer Camp

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Writer

"Skills through drills" was the theme ot the first-ever Agawam Soccer Association sponsored Summer Soccer Camp for local residents aged 6-18 held July 16th-21st at the Agawam Polish American Club in Feeding Hills.

According to ASA President Dave Poggi and Vice-President Tom Canata, the purpose of the week-long camp was to improve the skill level of each participant by concentrating on each facet of the game.

Clinic Kicked-Off The Camp

The ASA also sponsored a two-day soccer clinic held July 9th and 10th, featuring Belgium professional soccer player Frank Vercauteren, to kickoff the camp, which followed a week later.

A fee of $60 was charged each participant. This included a soccer ball, an ASA t-shirt, a soccer patch, and a trophy. Poggi noted that the $60 was the lowest price charged for any week-long camp in the Western Mass. area.

The idea idea for such a summer camp originated last year at an ASA soccer clinic for coaches. Mark Verlst, an Agawam resident who is a former Belgium soccer professional and the present Agawam High School junior varsity coach, instructed the coaches' clinic. He was instrumental in running this year's kids' camp.

Besides Verelst, eight other instructors led the 100 campers (54 boys/46 girls) through various drills, mini-games, lectures, soccer movies, and contests. The camp ran each day from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8:00 a.m. to noontime on Saturday.

Other instructors included Billy O'Brien, AHS varsity girls' soccer coach; Bob Sartwell, AHS varsity boys' coach; Dave Smith, AHS JV boys' coach; Dick Cowles, junior high boys' coach; John Colburn, Holyoke Community College varsity men's coach; Carl Poole, tormer West Springfield All-Western Mass. player; Billy O'Brien, Jr., former AHS and Springfield College player; and Debbie Dalton, fomer AHS player and now Mount Holyoke standout.

The campers were divided into three age groups -beginners, 6-8; intermediates, 9-12; and junior teenagers, 13-18.

A typical day would consist of a four-hour morning workout in any one area, such as kicking, shooting, trapping, offense or defense. Lunch ran from noontime to 1:00 p.m. and rigorous individual instruction resumed until 4:00 p.m.

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The luxury of nine, enthusiastic instructors enabled each group to be under a different teacher for each respective drill.

By week's end, all the individual skills were molded into mini-games. This helped the campers gain the proper perspective of the all-around game and enabled them to apply some of the skills learned during the week.

See Improvement

"What we were hoping for was that by Friday and Saturday, everything the campers had practiced could be put together in a game situation. This way they could see their own improvement," noted Billy O'Brien, Sr.

Poggi said the main objective of the game was to use the $60 fee to best benefit the campers.

"The ASA wasn't out to make any money. We just wanted to put the money right back into a successful program. We feel for the low-cost the kids got a well-instructed and supervised week of soccer," Poggi added.

Twenty-four campers, eight from each age level, were presented with trophies for winning competitions of skill held at week's end. Beginners, intermediates, and junior level campers won awards for such area's as best juggler, best dribbler, and most improved.

Award winners included: BEST JUGGLER - **Gretchen Schulze, beginner; Todd Vanghness, intermediate; and Mike Tassinari, junior.** BEST OFFENSIVE PLAYERS -**Jessie Meuller, beginner; Anthony Maloni and Missy Brown, intermediate; and Missy Sullivan, junior.** BEST DEFENSIVE PLAYERS - **Amy LaPlante, beginner; Sean Santucci and Jennifer Scaggs, intermediate; and Tommy Sullivan, junior.**

MOST IMPROVED - **Anthony Rose, beginner; Michael Dobise, intermediate; and Leigh Whittaker, junior.** BEST GOAL KEEPER - **Steve Phaneuf, beginner; Bret Boskiewicz, intermediate; and Patricia Landry, junior.** BEST HEADER - **Aaron Schmaelzle, beginner; Robert Christiansen, intermediate; and Jeff Martin, junior.**

BEST DRIBBLER - **Laura Bielitz, beginner; Benjamin Camyre, intermediate; and Timmy Burns, junior.** BEST PENALTY KICKER - **Kerry Blackak, beginner; Brien Connary, intermediate; and Tom Larochelle, junior.**

SPECIAL THANKS: The ASA wishes to thank the Polish American Club for generously donating its facility for the soccer camp. Poggi said that the free use of the facility helped maintain the camp's reasonable cost. The ASA also thanks Bill Rose treasurer, who handled all the paperwork.

Riverside Park Plans Racer's Picnic For July 29th

The management of Riverside Park Speedway, wish to invite the race fans, drivers, and families to a special Racer's Picnic on Sunday afternoon, July 29th, in the Riverside Grove Picnic Area.

The function is designed to create an atmosphere of friendship and family fun for all race people. Riverside Speedway will provide every owner and driver, who has competed in at least three 1984 events with a free ticket to the outing. In addition to this, all drivers attending will receive a family ticket for five people to ride all the rides at the picnic.

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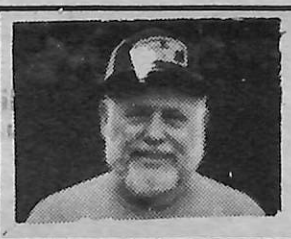

Sportsman's Corner

by Bill Chiba

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The list of writers reads like a "who's who." For example: Toby Bridges, hunting editor of Muzzleloader Magazine; Modern arms writer/photographer, Stanley W. Trzoniec; Colonel Jim Crossman, long associated with Olympic shooting teams; Don Lewis, veteran outdoor writer and small-game hunter; cartridge collector/author Bob Steindler; gun trader and professional gunsmith, John Traister; and many more outstanding personalities of the outdoor world.

The Shooter's Bible, the number one encyclopedia of firearms information is indispensable to all who deal, dabble or are interested in any way in today's gun market.

The 1985 Shooter's Bible is available for $12.95 at the better sporting goods stores and booksellers; or postpaid through Stoeger Publishing Company, 55 Ruta Court, South Hackensack, NJ 07606.

Atlantic Salmon Gets Helping Hand

Efforts to restore the Atlantic salmon fishery in New England may be given the boot by Congress. A House Appropriations subcommittee has approved $500,000 in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service fiscal year 1985 budget for developing an anadromous fish and research facility along the Connecticut River in Massachusetts.

Construction of the station - which would help not only the Atlantic salmon but also striped bass, American shad and shortnose sturgeon, is expected to start in early 1986 providing the measure is adopted by the full House and Senate. The research facility would be the first major laboratory of its kind by either the federal or state government in New England.

More Money To Boost Fishable Standards

Returning the country's lakes and streams to fishable standards has been the law of the water since the Clean Water Act was signed in 1972. Last month the U.S. House of Representatives reaffirmed the country's commitment to the 1972 mandate by approving legislation which would add $600 million to the fund for cleaning up bays, estuaries and lakes, as well as set stricter cleanup requirements at toxic "housespots" - streams contaminated with dangerously high levels of lead, cadmium, cyanide and other toxins.

With the House having signed off on a bill, NWF sources point out, it's likely the Senate will act this year on its legislation reauthorizing the now-expired Clean Water Act.

News From Local BMX Racing

As you know, "State Plate Series" races have been underway for sometime now. A total of eight to be run, you must race at least three to be in contention for a plate, one race in each district. They started in Lawrence, then on to Wakefield, Melrose and Mansfield. The others are to be held in Taunton, Southwick, Westfield and Greenfield. State Plates will be awarded at the Cape to the top ten riders in each class. Good Luck.

Our own "State Race" is to be August 11th, with sign-up from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. "Riders Ready," gate drops at 12:00 noon. This is an NBL double points race, and trophies will be awarded to fourth place. Bring along your "free styling." We've invited Channel 40 for sports coverage! If you haven't bought a ticket for the handcrafted items to be raffled the day of the race, do it now. The ladies at the registration made and donated some lovely gifts. Don't miss out. Tickets are just $1.00. See Rose at the trailer.

Congratultions to Kris McGreevy on his recent win at the July 8th "War of the Stars" in Rhode Island. Kris held a strong fourth in his motos, making it to the semi, and on to the main event. We're all so very proud of you. Great racing Kris!!

Cheryl Gasparini riding 15 novice, has just been scooped by the Bianco Team! We're glad to have you with us (you sure add a touch of class to those guys!!) Congratulations on your first place win on June 22nd.

Mr. Paul Carboneau, president of Springdale Machine, recently made a donation to our Track Improvement Fund. He knows very little about BMX, yet was willing to help the kids. Thanks Paul.

Gary Romanovicz moved to expert class, after he racked up his 20th trophy on June 22nd. Congratulations.

Donald Willard pulled a strong first on June 22nd, and says it's got to be that new bike he's riding! We believe it's just "great racing."

"Happy (belated) Birthday" to Sue Neal. I hear you gave up your bike for another means of transportation, a horse! What a surprise that must have been, your very own horse, that's something others only dream of. We knew you were a member of the 4-H Club, but not that you were into riding lessons and horse shows, too. We wish you and "Blue" the best in whatever you do, and know that you are missed by all.

Have you thought about helping us out at registration? We sure could use an extra pair of hands! We're going to be very short for the state race. We also need people to give some of the full time girls a break. If you'd like to help, let us know. We'll show you how!

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Rain Again Nixes Riverside Racing

Whoever said seven is a lucky number didn't want to witness a triple division Nascar Winston Racing Series program at Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam on Saturday night, July 22nd. Because seven was unlucky for thousands of race fans and competitors as Riverside was forced to cancel its race program for the seventh time.

Even though Riverside has had continued misfortune with the weather, it still has had some of the best crowds and best competition in the Nascar Winston Racing series for short track modified racing.

Maybe seven will be a lucky number for Riverside; hopefully it will be the last rain-out in the 1984 Winston Racing Series.

Speaking of the competition, on Saturday, July 28th, Riverside will again try and run the first triple division program of 1984. The event designated as "Speedway Scene Night" and C.L.M. Lubricants Night, will also be a Budweiser Light Bonus Event.

This means that in addition to the regular posted purse, Riverside will receive over $1,600 in cash bonus money from the events' designated sponsors. This money will be divided among the heat winners in all three divisions. Competing in the special program will be the Nascar Modifieds with drivers like Reggie Ruggiero, Bob Polverari, Richie Evans, Mike Stefanik, George Kent, Ray Miller, Marty Radewick, Stan Greger and Don DesRocher.

The sleek and exotic Pro Stocks will also be on hand with noted drivers like Jerry Marquis, Fran Colson, Wes Rosner, Rick Turcotte, Jim McCallum, Jim Libby and John Bergenty. Norm Plantier will lead the Pro Stock challenge with Larry Vasser, Brian Crunden, Dan Delana, Luke Scanlon, Jim Mavlouganes, Paul Suprenant, John Lobo Jr., and Gary Fiormonti.

All this exciting family entertainment is family priced at the unbelievable low price of just $5.95 for adults and 95 cents for children, 8 years and under.

Gates at Riverside will open at 5:00 p.m. with the pit fee just $5.00 for Nascar members only. Also in attendance on Saturday afternoon will be the NEAR cars and stars of yesteryear (all afternoon). At 7:00 p.m., the second Annual Near Match Race will occur between Ben Dodge and Rollie Jacobs. For more information call 786-9300.

Legion Team Proud Of Round 2 Revival

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Writer

The Agawam American Legion baseball team, sponsored by Wilson Thompson Post 185, began to "find the groove" in second round action, according to coach Jack Spellacy.

After finishing a disappointing 5-20 overall, the Legion nine can view favorably its second round record of 4-8. That followed a misreable first round (1-12) which produced only a 7-6 victory in the seasonal opener vs. arch-rival Liberty.

Spellacy said pitching keyed the team's second half revival.

"I think that our starting pitching and relief work started to improve. When they were throwing well, our whole game seemedd to improve, especially our hitting," the first-year coach said.

Victories over Greenfield (8-6), Chicopee (9-8), Ludlow (8-7), and Haydenville (9-3), in round two sparked the locals, who are also coached by Mike "Snake" Riley, the 6'7" pitcher for the Tri-County League's O'Malley Printers.

Especially noteworthy, according to Spellacy, were tough losses against Zone 3B leader Holyoke. The Paper City Squad, by far the cream of this year's local American Legion crop, brought out the best in Agawam. This included a recent, 7-3 setback where Rocky Bush fired his best game of the season from the hill.

"I thought when we played Holyoke we played well enough to win. For the majority of the games this season, we were right in there through the middle innings. That's when we seemed to fall apart at times," he said.

Leading the way for Agawam was the consistent play of Spellacy's son John, who plays second base. A 1984 All-Western Mass. schoolboy selection, Spellacy-the-young batted .330, collected 30 hits, scored 24 runs, and stole 21 bases. Teammate John Bubar, the squad's best pitcher, hit .340 and also saw action in the outfield.

Lanky Jay Mercadante batted .313 for the locals (26 hits) and was extremely effective at third base.

Rocky Bush, probably the team's most versatile player, could be founding pitching, catching, at first base, and in the outfield. He collected 17 hits.

Outfielder Tony Grasso, who missed the first half of the season with a broken thumb, ignited the locals offensively with a .410 second round average. Joining Grasso in the outfield was Billy Groom (15 hits). He possesses a fine arm and he gunned-down several runners on the base paths.

Ed Mutti played both first base and pitched. He had an average of .307. Homerun hitting Tony Ingham, playing both outfield and infield, also chipped in.

Handling the catching duties were veteran Ron "Scooter Rooter" Wieners and newcomer Tony Moccio. Spellacy said both receivers were responsible for the revival of the pitching staff in round two.

Another player Spellacy lauded was young Peter Saracino who came on strong with the bat near the season's end.

Two major reasons for the team's improved second round were pitchers Tony Kunasek and Ricky Stacy who effectively settled down after a first round full of anxieties for both.

Rounding out the Legion's squad are first-year players John O'Malley (OF) and Blair Massoia. "The reason for having the team was to give the Agawam players an opportunity to player together and improve," Spellacy said. "Hopefully, this learning experience will benefit the high school program next spring."

LEGION NOTES: Coaches Spellacy and Reilly thank manager Eddie Hottin, the American Legion's representative on the team, for his support and enthusiasm this season.

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Riverside Speedway's Sponsor List To Grow With Two Additions

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On Saturday, August 4th, three division Nascar Winston Racing Series Program will also be co-sponsored by Oliver Auto Body with its six locations in Springfield, West Springfield, Holyoke, Northampton, Greenfield and Pittsfield. It has been voted as a leading body shop in Western Massachusetts. Norm Lamoureux, president of the impressive corporation, is pleased to be associated with the Riverside Park Speedway.

On Saturday, August 4th, competitors in the Nascar Winston Racing Series will be running for over $1,600 in bonus money contributed by the event's sponsors. The race program will feature the Nascar Modifieds, Pro Stocks and Street Stocks. All is family priced at just $5.95 for adults and 95 cents for children 8 years and under.

Pit fees are $5.00 for Nascar members. For additional information, call or write Riverside Park Speedway, Box 307, Agawam, 01001. Call 786-9300.

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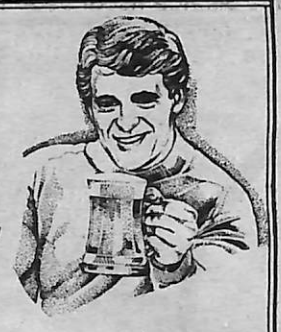

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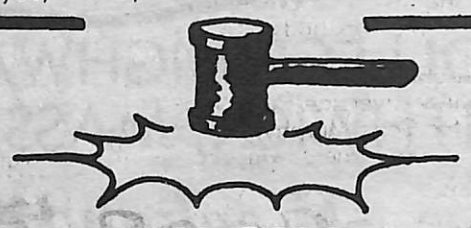

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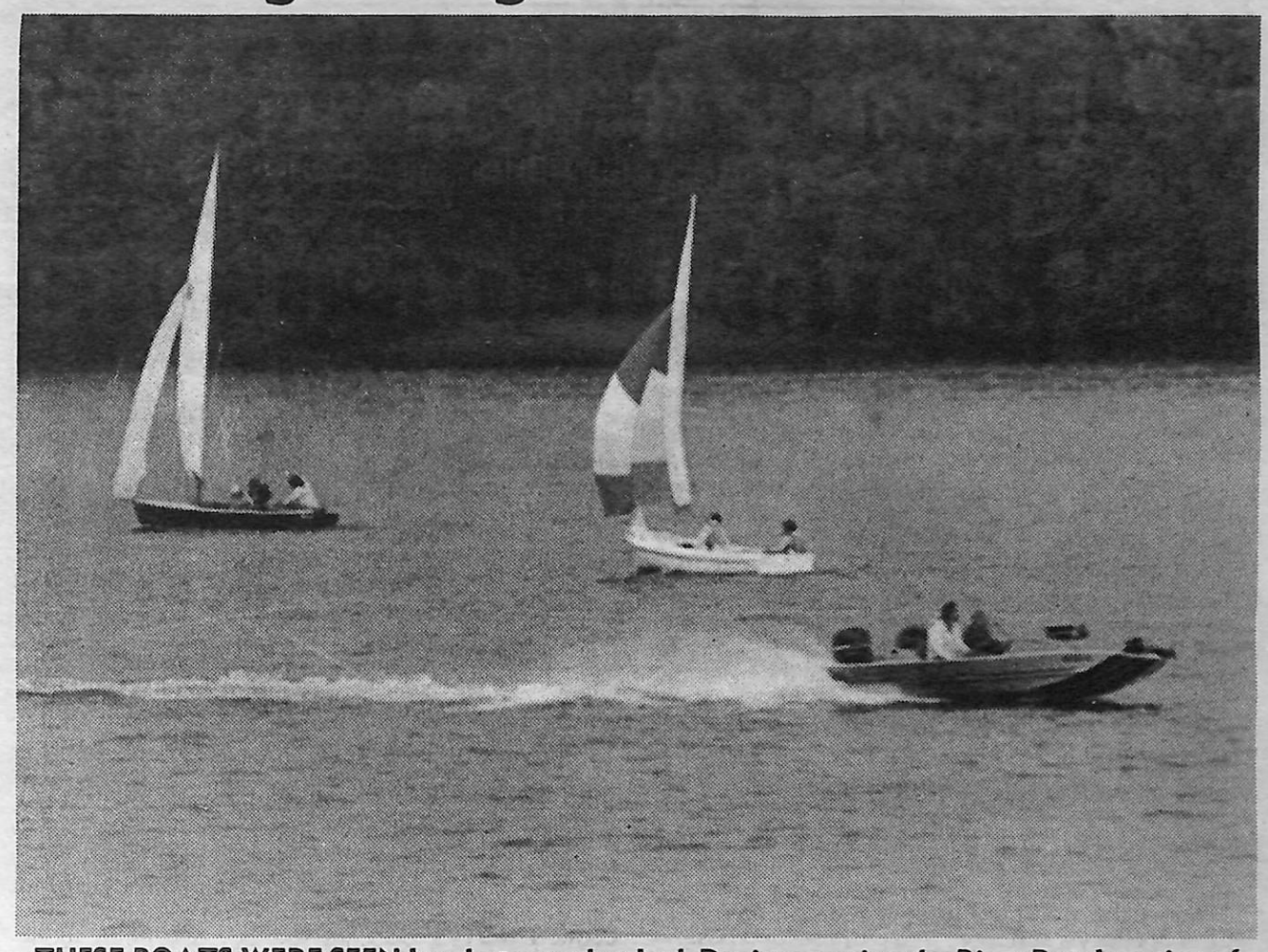

THESE BOATS WERE SEEN by photographer Jack Devine passing the River Road section of Agawam along the Connecticut River on a recent Saturday afternoon. Boating on the river has become a most popular recreational activity for area residents.

Registration Still Ongoing For Easter Seal Softball

With nearly five weeks remaining before the 1984 Bud Light Easter Seal Softball Marathon, the advance registration of teams indicates a record number of softball players will be going to bat for disabled children and adults during the event. Games will be played on August 11th and 12th at the Big E fields in West Springfield.

Teams must raise a minimum entry fee of $200 to participate for which they will receive a trophy and two cases of Bud Light beer. Teams raising $250 or more will receive Bud Light T-shirts.

To register a team, or to receive further information, call the Western Region Office of Easter Seals at 734-6434 or the 24-hour Bud Light Easter Seal Softball Marathon Hotline at 1-800-922-8290.

Space Program At Agawam Library

The Agawam Public Library will offer a workshop "A Voyage Through Space and Time," with astronomer James R. Yankee on Thursday, July 26th, at 6:30 p.m.

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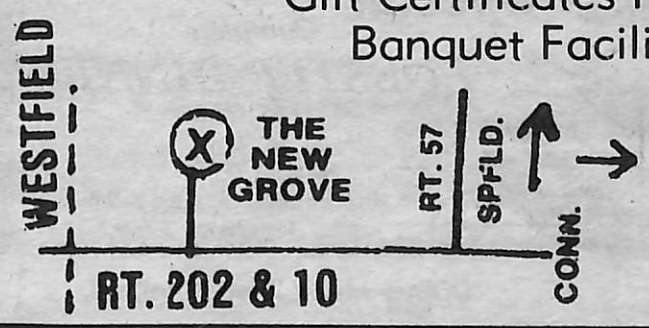

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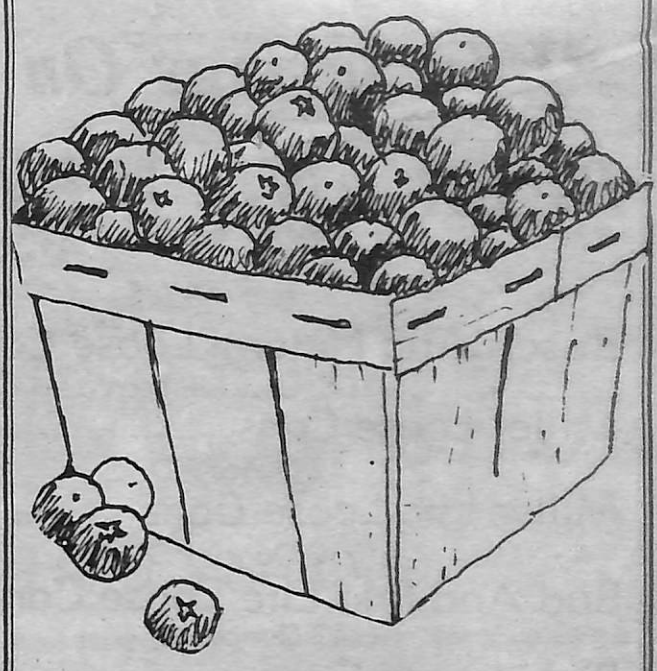

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